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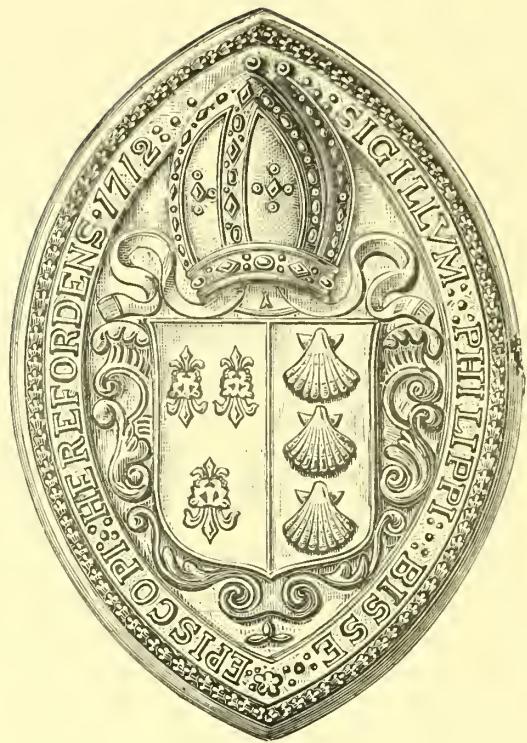
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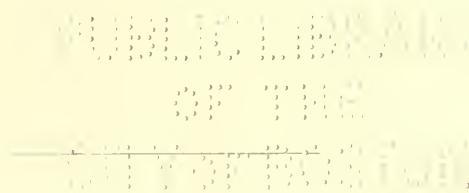
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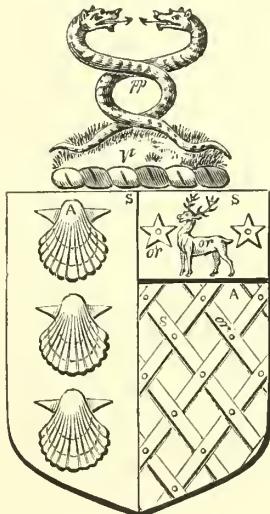
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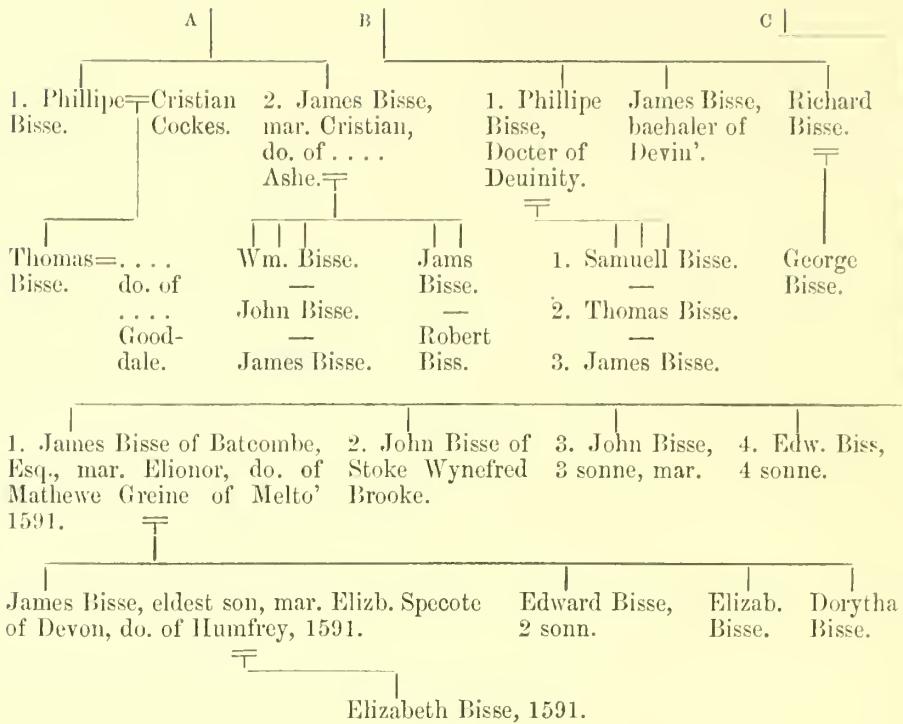
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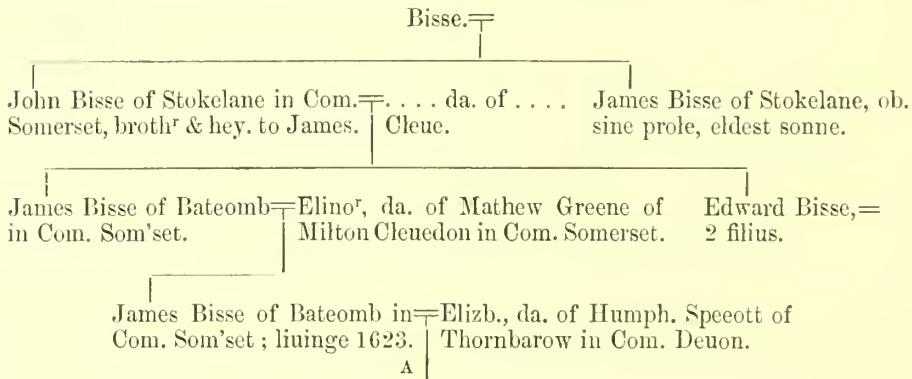
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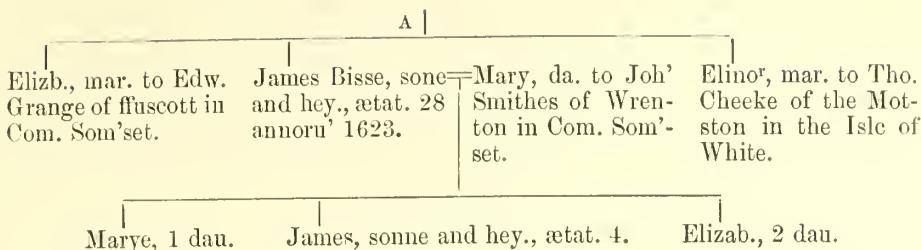
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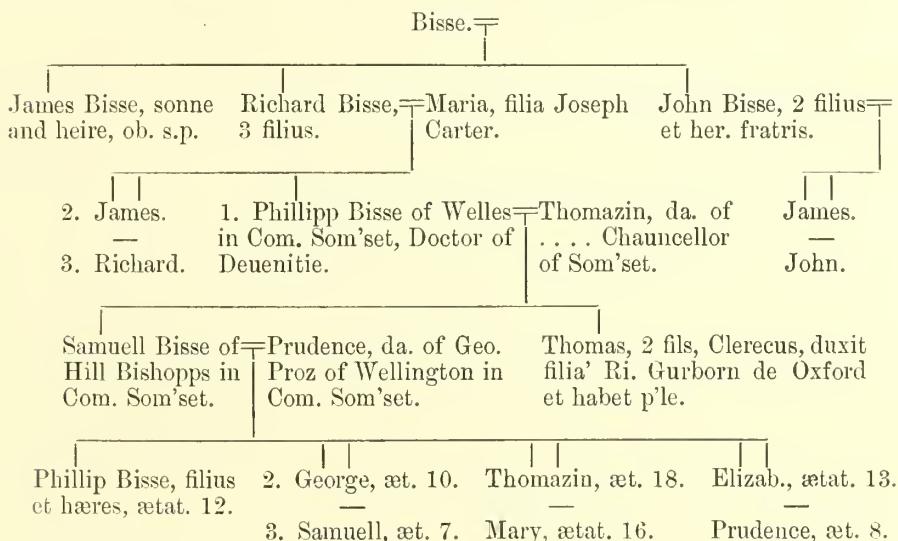
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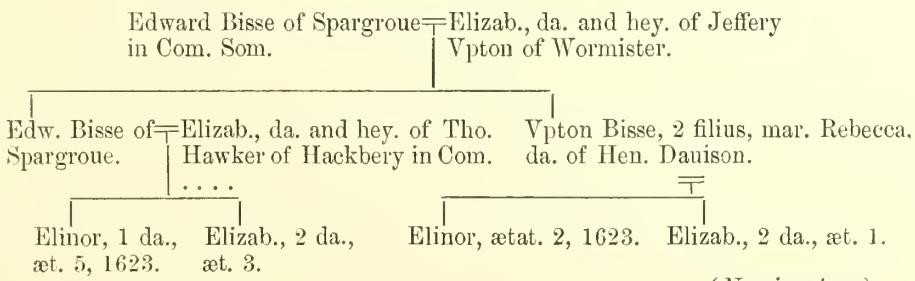




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VISITATION OF SOMERSET, 1623. (Harl. MS. 1141, fo. 110^b.)



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Funeral Certificate.

EDMOND MASON, D.D., DEAN OF SALISBURY, 1634.



The worshipfull Edmond Mason Dr of Diuinity Deane of Salisbury and late Tutor to Prince Charles his highnes that now is, Departed this mortall life, at his house in Petty Fraunce Westminster, on the 24th of March 1634, and was buried in the North crosse part of St Peter's church neare to the Conuocac'on house there. He maried Elizabeth Da: of Thomas Barker of Peterborough in the county of Northt' Gent : by whom he had no childe, but the said Elizabeth by her former husband James Taylor of Cambridge Gent : had yssue 16^{tene} children 11 sonnes and 5 daughters, Lennard Taylor the first sonne died a child, Thomas Taylor 2^d sonne livinge maried to Anne Da : of — Bisse of Somersetshire, James 3^d sonne maried Mary Da : of Mr Holmes of Cambridge Gent : who died since his father and lefte yssue 3 children, James, Mary, and Elizabeth. Anne the first Da : of the defunet died a child, Lennard the 4th sonne of the defunct likewise died since his father, Anne the 2^d Da : of the defunct died a child, Peter the fifte sonne living, George the sixth sonne dead, William the vijth sonne now beyond the seas, Elizabeth y^e 3^d Da : and Elizabeth the 4th Da : both dead, Samuell the 8 sonne likewise beyond the seas, Jane the 5th Da : maried to Nicholas Andrews Clark and Rector of St Nieholas in Guildford in Surrey, Edmond y^e youngest and last living maried to Alice Da : of — Weston in the County of Northt. Gent : and two children that died vnchristned. He made the said Elizabeth his wife his sole Executrix. This Certificate was taken by me William Penson Lancaster herald and the truth thereof testified by the said M^{rs} Elizabeth his widowe.

Wills and Administrations.

P.C.C.

21 April 1494. Will of William Bysse of Saperton [co. Glouc.], senior. To be buried within the parish church of Saperton—son William Bysse—wife Margery. (13 Vox.)

10 Oct. 1507. Nicholas Bysse of New Sarum. To be buried in the burial-ground of the parish church of St. Thomas in New Sarum—unmarried daughter Dionysia—Thomas Browne my apprentice. Wife Alice, ext'x. Proved 2 Dec. 1507. (31 Adeanc.)

18 Jan. 1519. Will of Philip Bysse. To be buried in the parish church of Stoke St. Michael [co. Somerset]—to Richard Bisce—to Joan my wife—to James Bisce “nepoti meo”—to John my son sen^r. Said James and John ex'ors. Proved 14 May 1520 by John Bisce and James Bisce, the ex'ors. (26 Ayloff.)

1557. [No further date.] “I Jone Bysse of Trestocke in the countie of Somersett, widowe.” To be buried in Trestocke churchyard—son Philip Bysse—daughter Denyse “and to Jone”—“to John”—to James Bysse—to Philip Bysse—son James ex'or—John Willes and “Water Bothe” overseers. Proved 3 Nov. 1558. (67 Noodes.)

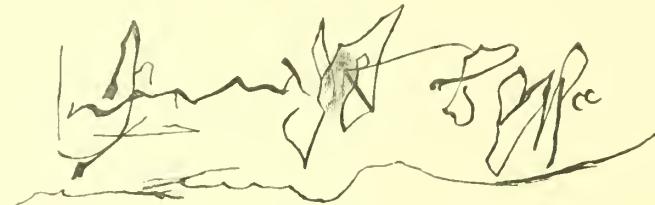
20 Nov. 1559. “I Richarde bysse of the parrishe of Pablo in the countie of Somerset.” Lease of Peglegc—wife Frances—children, some or all under 21—eldest son—brother John Bysse and brother-in-law John Lombowe, two of the overseers. Proved 27 May 1560 for Frances, the relict. (33 Mellershe.)

20 Oct. 1565. “I John Bisce of Pensforde in the countie of Somersett gentleman.” Daughter Cicely—daughter Johan, unmarried—to sons William Bysse and Richard Bisce £20 apiece “when they enter in the fferme of Peglynche”—son Laurence, under 21—Philip Bisce, son of Philip Bisce my son, dec'd, when 21—wife Margaret—daughter Agnes, unmarried—daughter Maud—to son Thomas the 100 marks promised him at his marriage—son John Bisce, ex'or—John Bisce of Stoke-layne, clothier, an overseer. Codicil, 4 Nov. 1565. Adm'on with will and codicil 19 Oct. 1566 to John Bisce, jun^r, as though the deceased had died intestate, he, the said John Bisce, jun^r, having renounced executorship. (26 Crymes.)

3 April 1567. James Bisce of “stooke Michell,” co. Somerset, Esq. To be buried in the chapel of “Stooke Sainete Michaell aforesaide” on the left side of grandfather and father—sister Agnes Style—sister Johan Heller—brother Philip—sister Agnes Starre—children of sister Alice Clarke—nephew James Bisce, eldest son of brother John—said John living—nephew Philip Bysse of Corsecombe—niece Anne, unmarried—brother John Bisce, ex'or. Witnesses, “phillip bysse p'sone of the p'ishe churche of Batcombe and Richard Bysse his father.” Proved 19 Aug. 1569. (17 Sheffield.)

Signature from will.

13 Feb. 1570-1. John Bysse of Stoke St. Michael, co. Somerset. Wife Elizabeth—son John Bysse, the elder—son James Bysse—son George Bysse—son John Bysse, the younger—son Thomas—son Edward—daughter Anne Bysse, and her mother and brother James—said Anne had a legacy of £20 under the will of her uncle—daughter Grace, under 18 and unmarried—brother Richard Bysse—eldest son James Bysse, ex'or. Proved 6 April 1571. (14 Holney.)



Signature from will.

30 June 1576. Adm'on to John Bisce, late of Marston Bigott, co. Somerset, dec'd, granted to Roger Bisce, the son.

19 May 1579. "I Lawrenee Bisce of Shaston." To be buried in the church of St. Peter—wife Margery, ext'x. Proved 29 Jan. 1579-80. (3 Arundel.)

13 July 1582. Will of James Bisce. Wife—eldest son—two eldest brothers—son Thomas—"ffare well good Megge" (testator's wife probably)—cousin John—son James—mother. Proved 16 May 1583 by etc. for Margaret, the relict and ext'x. (45 Rowe.) In the Probate Act book testator is described as of [blank] in the county and diocese of Bristol.

2 April 1585. "John Bysse of Pensford in the countie of Somersett." Brother Richard Bisce—brother William Baynard—brother Thomas Baynard—father-in-law Puttinge—mother—sister Margaret Bysse, ext'x. Proved 30 April 1589. (42 Leicester.)

28 Nov. 1591. Richard Bisce of Bristowe, merchant. To be buried in the church of St. Thomas—mother Margaret Gilbert—brother Laurence Bisce—sister Johane Phillipes—wife's two children Richard Bentall and Katherine Bentall—to the poor of Publoe, eo. Somerset—wife Katherine—son John, under 21—brother William Bisce—father-in-law Harry Gilbert—father-in-law John Harte—Peter Bisce a witness. Proved 10 Dee. 1591 by etc. for Katherine, the relict, power reserved to John Bisce, the son. (93 Sainberbe.)

21 May 1593. John Bisce, the elder, of Paglinche, eo. Somerset, gent. Wife living, but son John Bisce universal legatee and sole ex'or. Witnesses, James Bisce and John Gibbes "with others." Proved 27 Nov. 1593. (77 Neville.)

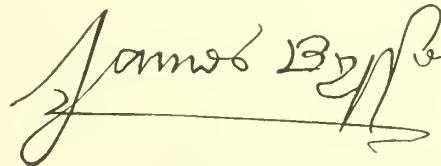
15 April 1597. Adm'on to Henry Bisce, late of Henstridge, eo. Somerset, dec'd, granted to Hugh Bisce, the brother.

9 Nov. 1600. John Bisce of Corseley, co. Wilts, gent. Eldest son—two younger sons—daughter—wife Joan—children under age—kinsman Edward Bisce of Spratigrane, co. Somerset, gent., an ex'or—brother William Awbrey, gent., an overseer. Adm'on with the will 7 March 1600-1 to Johan Bisce, the relict, the ex'ors having renomed. (22 Woodhall.)

James Bysse of Crosecombe, co. Somerset. Son James, the elder—son Robert—daughter Elizabeth—son James, the younger—daughter Joyce Penn—to "James

Baker whome I haue bredd vp" £5—children's children, 29 in number—brother Philip Bysse—brother John Bysse—son William Bysse—wife Christian—cousin James Bysse, Esq., and son William Bysse, oversers. Proved 14 Feb. 1606-7 by Christian, the relict. Said will not dated. (21 Huddlestone.)

26 Nov. 1607. "James Bisce Doctor of Divinitie Canon residensarie of the Cathedrall Church of Welles in the countye of Som'st." Wife Mary—children mentioned in general terms. Witness, Philip Bisce. Adm'on with the will 31 Oct. 1608 to Mary, the relict, no ex'or having been appointed. (90 Windenbank.)



Signature from will.

30 Aug. 1611. Adm'on to Philip Bisce, late of Axbridge, eo. Somerset, dec'd, granted to Jane Bisce, the relict.

7 Oct. 1613. Philip Bisce, D.D. Bequest of books to Wadham College, Oxford—son-in-law Dr. William Hill—son Samuel Bisce—wife Bridget—son Thomas—to Sarah Hill, Sarah Swadell, Thomasin Bisce, and Elizabeth Bisce, children of my four children Sarah, Hester, Sainuel, and Thomas £10 apicce—the mother of said Sarah Swadell dead—brother Richard Bisce—three sisters Johan, Agnes, and Alice—Judith Nayle my first wife's daughter—cousin Mr. Edward Bisce, the elder, of Spargrowe—said Dr. Hill had 7 children by testator's daughter, they all living—grandchild and goddaughter Elizabeth Bisce, daughter of son Thomas—grandchild Philip Swadell. Witnesses, James Orenge and Robert Borde. Proved 2 Dec. 1613 by Samuel Bisce, the son. (114 Capell.)

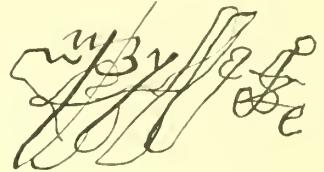
8 Feb. 1614-5. Adm'on to John Bisce, late of St. Mary's, Savoy, dec'd, granted to Catherine Smith alias Bisce, the mother.

23 Oct. 1619. "I Joane Bisce of Pensforde in the countey of Somerset, widowe." Son John Bisce—son Edward Bisce—daughter Dorothy Warman—John Bisce, son of said son John—Dorothy and Joan Warman, daughters of said daughter—mother Elizabeth—cousin Edward Bisce, Esq.—said son Edward under age—Elizabeth Bisce wife of said son John, Elizabeth daughter of the same, Mary Bisce daughter of the same, and Bridget Bisce daughter of the same—Thomas Warman son of son-in-law Thomas Warman, Elizabeth daughter of the same, and Mary Warman daughter of the same—daughter Dorothy, with child—son Edward Bisce, ex'or—James Bisce, an overseer. Proved 27 March 1620 by said ex'or. (27 Soame.)

11 June 1623. Richard Bisce of Croscombe, clothier. Son Philip Bisce—daughter Ann Bisce—son Charles—daughter Sarah—wife, and son Charles, ext'x and ex'or—cousin James Bisce, clerk, and brother-in-law John Casbeard, overseers. Proved 26 Sept. 1623 by Agnes, the relict, and Charles Bisce, the son. (88 Swann.)

17 June 1625. William Bisce of Croscombe, clothier. Daughter Elizabeth Bisce, who had a legacy given her by her grandfather Stronde—daughter Joyce Bisce—daughter Gertrude Bisce—daughter Martha Bisce—daughter Sarah Bisce—daughter

Thomasin Bisson—daughter Mary Webbe and her son William—daughter Amy Ruddock and her son Edward—son Thomas Bisson, if living—son William Bisson, if living—son Stronde Bisson—son James Bisson—son John Bisson—youngest son Edward Bisson—godson William Bisson, son of brother James—sister Hester Russon—friends Edward Bisson of Spartgrove, Esq., and Nathaniel Barnard, gent.—brothers James Bisson, Parson of Croscombe, and Robert Bisson of Shepton—lease of grounds called “Pynam”—wife living. Adm’ on with the will 23 Aug. 1625 to the supervisors, Joyce Bisson, the relict, having renounced. (89 Clarke.) Sentence for confirmation registered. (129 Hele.)



Signature from will.

23 Oct. 1626. Agnes Bisson of Croscombe, widow. Son Philip Bisson and his children—daughter Sarah Davies and her children—daughter Ann—sister-in-law Judith Casberd—daughter-in-law Joyce Bisson—son Philip’s wife—brother John Casberd—son Charles, ex’or. Witnesses, James Bisson and John Cusbeard. Proved 23 Nov. 1626 by Charles Bisson, the son and ex’or. (117 Hele.)

4 July 1627. Adm’ on to William Bisson of Croscombe, co. Somerset, but dying in parts beyond the seas, granted to Strowde Bisson, the brother. (Fo. 160.)

20 Jan. 1628. William Bisson of Tisbury, co. Wilts, tanner. John Wort, son of John Wort, and Alice Wort, daughter of the same—son-in-law John Wort and Avice his wife—Mary Bisson, daughter of William Bisson the younger—wife Avice—son William—brother Laurence Bisson, an overseer. Proved 30 Nov. 1629 by Avice, the relict, and William Bisson, the son. (100 Ridley.)

26 Sept. 1628. Gilbert Bisson, the elder, of Keyford, near Froomey Sellwood, co. Somt, yeoman. Son Samuel—son John’s children and his wife—said John living—son Gilbert—wife Edith—daughter Pitman—daughter Milles—daughter Holloway—daughter Mary—said wife and daughter Mary, ext’xes. Proved 14 Nov. 1629 by Edith, the relict, and Mary Bisson, the daughter. (93 Ridley.)

20 Aug. 1632. Thomas Bisson, clerk. Parson of Weston-super-Mare, co. Somerset. Wife Elizabeth—daughter Christiana Brace and son-in-law Mr Walter Brace—daughter Elizabeth Bisson, granddaughter of Dr Bisson, who left her £10—son Thomas Bisson—son Edward Bisson—Mr Cooke, fellow of Brasenose College, my son Thomas’ tutor—cousin Mr William Bisson of Brasenose College, my son’s reader. Proved 15 Feb. 1632-3 by Elizabeth, the relict and ext’x. (8 Russell.)

Signature from will.

14 June 1633. Adm’ on to Thomas Bisson, late of Westbury, co. Wilts, dec’d, granted to Mary Bisson, the relict. (Fo. 172.)

28 July 1636. Adm'on to Samuel Bisce, late of Wells, co. Somerset, widower, dec'd, granted to George Bisce, the son. (Fo. 9.)



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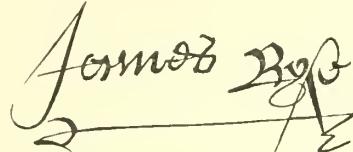
7 April 1640. James Bisce of Batcombe, Esq. Wife Mary. Proved 15 May 1640 by Mary, the relict and ext'x. (59 Coventry.)

4 May 1640. Adm'on to Strowde Bisce, late of Croscombe, co. Somerset, dec'd, granted to Frances, the relict. (Fo. 127.)

8 Oct. 1641. "I Robert Bisce of Shepton Mallett in the Countie of Som'ss^t, clothier." "Vnto the poore of the p'ish of Croscombe where I was borne" 20s.— "vnto my sonne James Bisce" £350—"vnto my daughter Abigall Bisce" £300—"vnto my sonne Robert Bisce" £300—"vnto my sonne William Bisce" £300—"vnto my brother James Bisce of Westcombe" £5 "and my best suite of clothes"—wife, residuary legatee and sole ext'x—"my brother-in-law Mr Thomas Strode of Bowlease" and my "owne brother M^r James Bisce, the Rector of Croscombe," overseers, to whom 20s. apiece—said sons William and Robert under 21. Proved at Oxford 26 Jan. 1643-4 by Hester Bisce, the relict, etc. *Original will.*

John Bisce of Yapton, co. Sussex. Sister Dumphill, and her three children under 21—"brother William, Thomas, Richard, and Edward Sturt," all under 21—brother William Cutfold's three children, under 21—uncle Hugh Penfold's children—Margery Sturt, wife of John Sturt—godson John Dumphill—brother William Cutfold of Flaunceham par. Phelsham, ex'or—John Sturt, overseer. Not dated. Proved 22 Jan. 1645-6 by William Cutfold, the ex'or. (1 Twisse.)

28 Feb. 1643. James Bisce of Foxcott, co. Somerset, Esq. To be buried in Batcombe church—grandchild Elizabeth Seudamore, wife of Thomas Seudamore of White Oxe Meade—daughter Eleanor Chicke of Batcombe—George Seudamore, son of said Elizabeth—grandchild Joanna Orange—testator formerly lived at Batcombe—daughter Elizabeth Orange—grandchildren John Orange, Humphrey Orange, Francis Orange, and William Orange—daughter-in-law Mary Bysse—friends Upton Bisce of Almesford, clerk, and Richard Hodson of Ca'marton, clerk, overseers—John Bysse, a witness. Proved 10 Nov. 1646 by William Orange, the grandchild and ex'or. (171 Twisse.)



Signature from will.

9 May 1643. "I Robert Bisce of Barnestaple in the Connty of Devon, marryner." Two daughters Joan and Petronel, unmarried and under 21—father M^r Edward Pointz—wife, sole ext'x—father-in-law M^r Edward Pointz and brother

James Bisce, overseers. Proved 20 Oct. 1647 by Joan Baker alias Bisce, the relict and ext'x. (204 Fines.)

1 Sept. 1644. Edward Bisce, the yonnger, of Spartgrove par. Battecombe, co. Somt', Esq. To son Edward the parsonage of Incombe in said co.—wife Elizabeth—eldest son George Bisce, gent.—daughter Mary Bisce—youngest daughter Lady Bisce. Proved 3 Feb. 1646-7 by Elizabeth, the relict. (38 Fines.)

2 Feb. 1647-8. Adm'on to William Bisce, late of parts beyond the seas, bachelor, dec^d, granted to John Bisce, the fathter. (Fo. 22.)

27 May 1648. Adm'on to James Bisce, late of Barnstaple, co. Devon, dec^d, granted to Humphrey Bisce, the son, [blank] the relict consenting. (Fo. 59.)

29 Oct. 1650. "I Jorden Biss of Wormister." Four daughters Ann, Frances, Joan, and Bessie—son Jorden—son James—wife Beatrice, ext'x. Proved 28 April 1651 by said ext'x. (60 Grey.)

15 Oct. 1651. Adm'on to John Bysse, late of St Bartholomew's by the Exchange, London, dec^d, granted to Philip Bysse, the brother. (Fo. 158.)

20 July 1652. Adm'on to James Bisce, late of Batecombe, bachelor, dec^d, granted to John Albyn and Mary his wife, the sister. (Fo. 120.)

23 Dec. 1652. John Besse (Bisce in margin), the elder, of Froome Selwood, co. Somerset, yeoman. Wife Mary—son Samuel Bisce—grandchildren Morgan Coward, son of Morgan Coward of Merston Bigoot, baker, and John Hayce, son of Richard Hayee of Froome aforesaid, clothier—son John Bisce—daughter Mary—daughters Frances Hayce and Jane Coward—son Samuel, ex'or—friends Gilbert Bisce and Stephen Norrie, overseers. Proved 5 June 1654 by Samuel Bisce, the son and ex'or. (491 Alchin.)

1 June 1653. John Bisce, citizen and stationer of London. Brother William Bisce—land called "Pynam" now "letten to Edward Bisce and two others" in Shepton Mallett, co. Somerset—sister-in-law Elizabeth, wife of said brother William—brother-in-law John Whitbourne and sister his wife—sister Anne Plymton—sister Dorothy Coxe—cousin Philip Bisce, citizen and vintner of London—children of brother William, sister Dorothy, and sister Whitbourne—said brother William, ex'or. Proved 13 Aug. 1653 by said ex'or. (168 Brent.)

Signature from will.

31 Jan. 1653-4. Adm'on to Philip Bisce, late of Christ Church, London, dec^d, granted to Ursula, the relict. By order of Court. (i., fo. 85.)

23 March 1653-4. Adm'on to John Bisce, late of Barnstaple, co. Devon, dec^d, granted to Rebecea, the relict. (ii., fo. 82.)

16 Sept. 1656. "I Thomas Bisce Rector of the parish Churh of Ouldburie upon the hill in the County of Gloue. Clerke." Lands, tenements, etc., in Sherstone Magna, co. Wilts, "vnto Susanna my beloued wife," for life, if she continnes unmarried, rem^r "vnto Edward Bisce, Minister in Ashton Keynes in the County of Wilts, beinge my naturall brother, And vnto Henrie Stephens the elder of Kemble in the County of Wilts aforesaid, yeoman, And vnto John Bishopp of Puckle-

church in the County of Gloucester aforesaid, yeoman," in trust to sell the same and apply the proceeds to the education of my children and the raising of portions for them—"vnto my fife Children (vizt) William Bisce, Phillip Bisce, Edward Bisce, Susanna Bisce, and James Bisce" £50 apiece when 21—"vnto mine eldest sonne Thomas Bisce one good bed with beddinge sufficient to be delivered vnto him when hee is out of his apprentishipp," to him also "my signett which I vsnally weare"—"vnto my sonne John Bisce my bedd and all my goods in Oxford," "my whole studie of bookees saueinge and exceptinge my bible and such other english bookes as my wife shall make choice of for her owne vse," and "fife yeards and halfe of broade cloth to make him a mourninge suite"—"to my said sonne William" £10 when 22—"Susanna my wife" residuary legatee and sole ext'x. Proved 2 Feb. 1656-7 by said ext'x. (42 Ruthen.)

Signature from will.

8 May 1657. Adm'on to John Biss, late of parts beyond the seas, bachelor, dec^d, granted to Edward Biss, the brother. (Fo. 117.)

5 Jan. 1658-9. Adm'on to John Biss, late of Batcombe, co. Somerset, but at sea, bachelor, dec^d, granted to Philip Biss, the brother. (Fo. 18.)

26 Feb. 1659. "I Henry Bisce of Shepton Mallett in the County of Sommers^{tt}, grocer." Sister-in-law Avice Walter—poor of Shepton Mallett, Stanton, and Stocklane—Elizabeth Bisce, the daughter of James Bisce—James Bisce, the son of Upton Bisce—Henry Bissc, son of Mr George Bisce—James Bisce, son of James Bisce of Shepton Mallett—George Strod, son of Jeffery Strod—Elizabeth Walter, daughter of William Walter—Henry Adams, son of Richard Adams—Edward Ings, son of John Ings—Anne Strod, daughter of Philip Strod—wife Anne, ext'x—friends and kinsmen Mr George Bisce and James Bisce, overseers. Proved 1 May 1660 by Anne, the relict, etc. (80 Nabbs.)

18 April 1659. Adm'on to James Bisce, late of Wells, co. Somerset, dec^d, granted to Joan Bisce, the relict.

20 April 1659. Adm'on to Philip Bisce, late of Almesford, bachelor, dec^d, granted to Upton Bisce, the father.

10 June 1662. Nicholas Biss of Halton, co. Somerset, husbandman. To son John a brass pan "which was his mother's," etc.—grandchildren Richard Pitman, Walter Pitman, Anne Pitman, Avice Pitman, Edward Pitman, and Agnes Pitman, all under 21, sons and daughters of son-in-law Richard Pitman and Agnes my daughter, late dec^d—now wife Margaret—daughter Elizabeth—grandchildren Giles Day, Elizabeth Day, Nathaniel Day, and Mary Day, all under 21, sons and daughters of Giles Day my son-in-law and Elizabeth my daughter—daughter Magdalen—grandchildren Anne Pitman, Nicholas Pitman, Walter Pitman, and Magdalen Pitman, all under 21, sons and daughters of Walter Pitman my son-in-law and Magdalen my daughter—daughter Margaret—grandchildren Margaret Pitman and Michael Pitman, under 21, son and daughter of Michael Pitman my son-in-law, late dec^d, and Margaret my daughter—grandchild "Joh" Clothier, son of son-in-law John Clothier and Margaret my daughter, said grandchild under 21—daughter Edith—

grandchildren Stephen Pitman, Elizabeth Pitman, and Michael Pitman, under 21, sons and daughter of Stephen Pitman my son-in-law and Edith my daughter—son-in-law Stephen Pitman—daughter Elizabeth—Anne, daughter of Walter Pitman, and Anne, daughter of Richard Pitman—said wife ext'x—brother John Bisce and brother-in-law Stephen Phillips, overseers. Proved 20 Dec. 1666 by Margaret, the relict, etc. (173 Mico.)

29 Aug. 1667. Adm'on to William Bisce, late of the City of London, but dying at Minten, co. Lincoln, granted to James Bisce and Robert Bisce, the brothers.

16 April 1669. Margaret Bisce of Halton, co. Somerset, widow. Daughter Elizabeth, wife of Giles Dey of Halton, husbandman—grandchild Elizabeth Day—grandchildren Giles Dey and Nathaniel Dey, under 21—grandchild Mary Dey, daughter of said Giles, under 21—grandchild Grace Dey, another daughter of same, under same age—daughter Margaret, wife of John Clothier of Clapton par. Map'ton, co. Somerset, yeoman—Margaret Pitman my grandchild, daughter of Michael Pitman of Clapton aforesaid, late dec'd, under 21, and Michael Pitman my grandchild, son of same—grandchild John Clothier, son of said John, under 21—grandchildren Elizabeth Clothier and Edith Clothier, daughters of same, under 21—daughter Edith, wife of Stephen Pitman, the elder, of Halton, husbandman—grandchild Stephen Pitman, son of said Stephen, grandchild Elizabeth Pitman, daughter of same, Michael Pitman, son of same, grandchild Agnes Pitman, daughter of same, grandchild Edith Pitman, daughter of same, and Sarah Pitman, daughter of the same, all under 21—grandchild Nicholas Pitman, son of Walter Pitman of Higher Wolston par. North Cadbury, co. Somerset, yeoman, grandchild Anne Pitman, daughter of same, Walter Pitman, son of same, Magdalen, daughter of same, and Edward Pitman, son of same, all under 21—Richard Pitman my grandchild, son of Richard Pitman of Lower Wolston par. North Cadbury, husbandman, Anne Pitman, daughter of same, Walter Pitman, son of same (who had a legacy from his grandfather Nicholas Bisce, dec'd), Edward Pitman, son of same, and Avice Pitman, daughter of same, all under 21—brother Stephen Phillipps of Halton, butcher, and his six children, John, Daniel, Richard, Stephen, Elizabeth, and Deborah Phillipps—son-in-law Stephen Pitman of Halton, husbandman, ex'or. Proved 9 Feb. 1670-1 by said ex'or. (15 Duke.)

5 May 1669. Adm'on to Elizabeth Bysse, late of St Margaret's, Westminster, widow, dec'd, granted to George Tomlinson, the principal creditor. (Fo. 47.)

28 April 1670. Adm'on to Edward Bisce, late of the city of Bristol, but in parts beyond the seas, bachelor, dec'd, granted to Thomas Bisce, the brother.

8 Feb. 1672. Gilbert Bisce of Froome Selward, co. Somerset, yeoman. Eldest son Gilbert Bisce—son Nicholas—son Samuel—son John, under 21—son James, under 21—daughter Mary and her three children—wife Mary Bisce, ext'x—friend Samuel Bisce of Froome, an overseer. Proved 2 Dec. 1675 by said ext'x. (121 Dyce.)

23 Oct. 1679. Strode Bisce of Sherborn, co. Dorset, gent. Sister Joyce Bisce, universal legatee and sole ext'x. Nuncupative will proved 12 Feb. 1679-80 by said ext'x. (14 Bath.)

20 Jan. 1680-1. Adm'on to William Bisce, late of the city of Bristol, dec'd, granted to Mary, the relict.

14 Sept. 1683. "I Robert Bisce of Tinehead within the parish of Edington

in the county of Wilts, gent." Wife—daughters Sarah and Susannah Bissee, both under 21—son Robert Bissee—leasehold property in Froome Sellwood and Marston Biggott, both co. Somerset—said daughters executrices—brother Mr James Bissee and brother-in-law Mr Edward Wadman, overseers. Proved 2 July 1691 by Sarah Bissee and Susanna Bissee, the daughters, etc. (110 Vere.)



Signature from will.

3 Aug. 1688. "Elleanor Biss of the City of Wells in the County of Somersett, widow." Testatrix recovered £300 from James Biss of Battecombe in said co., Esq., by a decree in the Court of Exchequer. Daughter Catherine Biss—son William Biss—grandchild Amy Biss, daughter of son Edward Biss—said daughter Catherine ext'x. Witnesses, Edward Bissee, Ann Penny, John Penny, and David Tryme. Proved 8 Jan. 1688-9 by said ext'x. (1 Ent.)

28 June 1689. "I James Bissee of Shipton Mallett in the County of Somersett." Wife Margaret—daughter Hester Bissee—daughter Elizabeth Browne—daughter Mary Banister—grandchildren Hester Browne and Mary Browne, both under 21—grandchildren James Banister, Thomas Banister, Charles Banister, Edward Banister, Mary Banister, Jane Banister, Margaret Banister, Elizabeth Banister, and Katherine Banister, all under 21—grandchildren James Bissee, Margaret Bissee, Katherine Bissee, Amy Bissee, and Ann Bissee, all under 21—son James Bissee, ex'or—brother Robert Bissee, overseer. Proved 4 Sept. 1689 by said ex'or. (118 Ent.)

25 Oct. 1690. Adm'on to Philip Bissee, late of the city of Bristol, but at Nevis in the West Indies, dec'd, granted to Grace Bissee, widow, the relict.

18 March 1690-1. Adm'on to Edward Bissee, late of Westham, co. Essex, dec'd, granted to Elizabeth Biss, widow, the relict. (Fo. 47.) De bonis non in July 1700,

18 April 1696. Edward Bissee of Frampton Cotterell. Wife Jane. Proved 10 Sept. 1696. (179 Bond.)

9 July 1700. Adm'on of goods, etc., of Edward Bissee, late of Westham, co. Essex, dec'd, unadministered by Elizabeth, the relict, now also dec'd, granted to James Bissee, M.D., the son. Former grant in March 1691.

4 Jan. 1702. Samuel Bess (Bissee in margin), cooper on board the frigate "Rook." Wife Anne Bess—daughter Ann Bess—son John Bess. Dated at Barbadoes 4 Jan. 1702. Proved 24 May 1703. (125 Degg.)

29 July 1702. "I Thomas Bissee of the City of Bristol, Merchant Tayler." Property in Clevedon, co. Somerset—wife Mary—property "in Worshipfull Streete al's St. Nicholas Shambles in the City of Bristol aforesaid"—son Thomas Bissee—son Philip Bissee—daughter Martha Bissee—property in Redcliffe Street, Bristol—four daughters Mary, Sarah, Margery, and Joan, all under 21 and unmarried. Proved 30 Oct. 1702 by Mary, the relict, and two ex'ors. (130 Herne.)

3 March 1704. "James Bissee, the Elder, of Compton in the parish of Pilton in the county of Sommersett, gentleman." Now wife Katherine—property in Yatton and Churchill par. Crocombe—son James Bissee—manor of Pilton—said son James, under 21—father made a will—daughters Margaret and Katherine, both

under 21—property in Presleigh—mother Margaret Bisce—son Robert Bisce, under 21—son John Bisce—sister Hester Bisce—property in Shepton Mallett and West Pennard—said son John, under 21—daughters Anne and Edith, under 21 and unmarried—brother John Rogers—kinsman Thomas George of Crossecombe—property in Norwood Park, co. Somerset—said wife ext'x. Proved 21 Oct. 1707 by said ext'x. (220 Poley.)

2 May 1710. Adm'on to Edward Bisce, late of St. Leonard's, Eastcheap, London, dec'd, granted to Sarah Bisce, the relict.

31 Aug. 1713. James Biss of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq. Wife Grace—son Thomas—son George—son James Biss, ex'or. Proved 9 Oct. 1713 by said ex'or. (220 Leeds.)

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6 Aug. 1717. Adm'on to Frances Bisce, late of Barnstaple, co. Devon, spinster, dec'd, granted to Susan (or Susanna) Payne (wife of William Payne), the sister.

6 Aug. 1717. Adm'on to John Bisce, late of Barnstaple, co. Devon, bachelor, dec'd, granted to Susan (or Susanna) Payne (wife of William Payne), the sister.

21 July 1718. Philip, Bishop of Hereford. To be buried in Hereford Cathedral in the vault where wife Bridget, Countess Dowager of Plymouth, lieth. Sister Joyce Bisce—niece Susanna Feltoe—niece Ann Feltoe—brother Dr Thomas Bisce—sister Susanna Jeamson—children of brother John Bisce, dec'd, and of sister Mary Feltoe, also dec'd. Codicil dated 29 Sept. 1719. Affidavit 20 Dec. 1721 by Norris Jeamson of St Bride's, London, hosier, as to the codicil. Said will and codicil proved 20 Dec. 1721 by Rev'd Ralph Brideoke, Archdeacon of Winchester, Thomas Bisce, D.D., th) brother, and Joyee Bisce, spinster, the sister, power reserved to the other ex'ors. (221 Buckingham.)

Signature from will.

16 Sept. 1721. Robert Bisce of West Compton par. Pilton, co. Somerset, clothier. Brother Mr John Bisce—mother Mrs Catherine Bisce—property in Shepton Mallett “formerly given by my father Mr James Bisce to me after my mother's decease”—sister Margaret Rebotier, wife of Rev'd Mr Elias Rebotier of Axbridge in said co.—sister Rebotier's two children Elias and Katherine—sister Katherine Bisce—sister Anne Bisce—sister Edith Bisce—said mother sole ext'x. Proved 27 Jan. 1725-6 by Catherine Bisce, widow, the mother. (2 Plymouth.)

Signature from will.

13 March 1723-4. Adm'on to Robert Bisce, late of Coulston, co. Wilts, dec'd, granted to Eleanor Bisce, widow, the reliet.

25 May 1733. William Bisce of St Helen's, London, gent. Children of brother Thomas Bisce, dec'd—brother John Bisce and his children—wife Ellen, ext'x. Witnesses, "James Perchard, Reb: Martin, Tho: Martin." Proved 12 June 1736 by said ext'x. (125 Derby.)

12 Dec. 1735. Adm'on to Elizabeth Bisce, late of Pidlineh, co. Dorset, widow, dec'd, granted to Robert Merefield, a creditor, *Mary Gapper* (or Gopper), *widow*, the sister and only next of kin renouncing. [The italic portion of this entry crossed through.]

26 July 1736. James Bisce of St Clement Danes, co. Middx, Esq., son of James Bisce of Battecombe, co. Somerset, Esq., dec'd. Everything to "Mary the Daughter of Philip Parsons of Batecombe aforesaid, Hosier, formerly marryed or reputed to be marryed to William Haynes, Surgeon, and who afterwards lived with me and goes now by my name," and she ext'x. Proved 19 Aug. 1736 by Mary Parsons otherwise Haynes, the ext'x. (171 Derby.)

Signature from will.

26 Oct. 1737. Jane Bisce of Christ Church, London, spinster. To be buried at Codicote, co. Herts—sister Anne Bisce—niece Anna Maria—goddaughter Jane Bisce—niece Elizabeth Bisce—nephew George Bisce—niece Rebecca Bisce—brother Dr James Bisce—sister Rebecca Perriman—brother Thomas Chase—sister Mary Chase—nephew Edward Chase—niece Jane Bisce—said brother Dr James, ex'or. Codicel. Dated 12 March 1743. Niece Anna Maria Bisce, now dec'd—nephew Robert Rossiter, one of the sons of Mr Hugh Rossiter, said Hugh living—Thomas Chase Rossiter, eldest son of said Hugh. Said will and codicil proved 22 Nov. 1744 by James Bisce, Esq., the ex'or. On 14 March 1749-50 adm'on of goods, etc., unadministered by said ex'or granted to George Poyner Bisce, Esq., the said James adm'or. Anne Rossiter, wife of said Hugh is mentioned in said will as living. (249 Anstis.)

Signature from will.

2 Feb. 1740-1. William Biss of Shoemaker Row, London, Corporal on board "the Tiger man-of-war." Sons William Biss, John Biss, Abraham Biss, and Stephen Biss—said son William, ex'or. Proved 25 May 1743 by said ex'or. (152 Boyeott.)

30 May 1741. Stephen Bisce of Wimbledon, co. Surry. To be buried in Lothbury Church near deceased wife—testator sometime Agent for Vietnalling at Lisbon—sister Elizabeth Walter and her son Edward and daughter Mary—sister Rebecca Rowe and her son William and daughter Mary—sister Jane Shute and her son Stephen—sister Eleanor Richards—cousins George Bray, Edward Bray, Elizabeth Bray, Mary

Bray, and Margaret Bray—three sisters and their children—brothers Laurence Rowe and Edward Bray—sister Margaret Bissee—Rev^d Mr Riland, niece Mary his wife, and his two sons—cousins Edward Walter and Mary Walter—nephew Bissee Richards, ex'or. Propounded 13 Nov. 1746.

30 May 1741. Pretended will of Stephen Bissee, late of Wimbledon, co. Surry, Esq., a widower, dec^d. Cause between Bissee Richards, Esq., the nephew and pretended sole ex'or, the party promoting the said cause, on the one part, and Rebecca Rowe (wife of Laurence Rowe) and Jane Shute, widow, the sisters and next of kin, and also Mary Riland (wife of Rev^d Richard Riland, clerk), the niece by the brother, Edward Walters and Mary Walters, spinster, nephew and niece by a sister, and George Bray, Edward Bray, Mary Vigers (wife of John Vigers), and Margaret Bray, spinster, nephews and nieces by a sister, the parties against whom the said cause is promoted, of the other part. Said will pronounced null and void 10 Dec. 1746. (375 Edmunds.)

2 Feb. 1745. Susanna Bissee, wife of Thomas Bissee of St Bartholomew's the Great, London, "face Painter." Indenture or deed of settlement, dated 14 Sept. 1743 and made previous to my marriage, between the said Thomas Bissee of the first part, myself by the name of Susannah Norman, spinster, of the second part, and Henry Entwistle, gent., and Thomas Martin, gent., of the third part—goddaughter Susanna Martin—children of sister Eleanor, wife of said Thomas Martin—nieces Eleanor and Mary Hill—sister Mary Hill's eldest daughter—brother and sister Thomas Hill and Mary his wife—brother and sister Thomas Martin and Eleanor his wife—said husband, ex'or. Witnesses, Ellen Bissee and H. Entwistle. Proved 13 April 1748 by said ex'or. (107 Strahan.)

12 Dec. 1746. Adm'on to Stephen Bissee, Esq., late of Wimbledon, co. Surry, widower, dec^d, granted to Eleanor Richards, widow, the sister and next of kin, sentenee having been pronounced against his will on 10th inst. De bonis non in June 1766.

25 Nov. 1747. John Bissee of the city of Bristol, merchant. Testator made a former will in Madeira in 1730. Nephew the Rev^d Mr Edward Bissee, clerk—property in Bath and Portbury—aunt Mary Covant—niece Eirenia Mason, sister of said Edward—John Covant of Portbury left property by will to said Edward and Eirenia—said Edward, ex'or. Proved 13 May 1755 by said ex'or. (122 Panl.)

5 Oct. 1749. Adm'on to James Bissee, late of Codicote, co. Herts, Esq., dec^d, granted to George Poyner Bissee, the son.

5 Dec. 1750. Rebeeca Bissee of Mount Street par. St. George, Hanover Square, co. Middx, spinster. Niece Jane Williams—niece Sarah Bartlett and her daughter—niece whose maiden name was Jane Bissee—cousin Mary Hales—nephew John Bissee—to be buried in the second-best burial-ground belonging to St George's, Hanover Square—nephews John Bissee, William Ames, John Ames, Robert Ames, and Thomas Ames—nieces Jane whose maiden name was Bissee, Jane Williams, and Sarah Bartlett—nephew John Bissee, now or late of Nunney near Frome, co. Somerset, ex'or. Proved 14 Oct. 1751 by said ex'or. (275 Busby.)

10 Dec. 1750. Ellen Bissee of St. Bartholomew's the Great, London, widow. "If I die in London to be buried in the church of St Dunstan in the East, near late husband William Bissee"—said husband bequeathed by will to the children of his brothers Thomas Bissee and John Bissee—nephew Thomas Bissee of London and his brother

William Bissc, ex'ors. Proved (with a codicil dated 16 Dec. 1750) 1 July 1752 by said ex'ors. (180 Bettesworth.)

13 April 1752. Adm'on to Samuel Biss, late of Kensington, co. Middx, dec'd, granted to Mary Biss, widow, the relict.

10 Sept. 1753. Adm'on to Rebecca Rowe, formerly Bisce, late of Crediton, co. Devon, dec'd, granted to Laurence Rowe, the husband.

19 Feb. 1754. Sarah Bisce, wife of Thomas Bisce of Warwick Court in Warwick Lane, London, gent. Indentures of lease and release, dated respectively on or about 16 and 17 March 1753, the release being tripartite and between the said Thomas Bisce of first part, me the said Sarah, by the name and description of Sarah Peck of St Mary's [-at-] Hill, London, widow, of second part, etc., in consideration of a marriage then intended and since had and solemnized between the said Thomas and me, relating to property in Garwicke and Heckington, co. Lincoln—testatrix pregnant. Proved 3 Jan. 1757 by said Thomas Bisce, the husband, etc. (2 Herring.)

8 Sept. 1755. Limited Administration. Property in par. St John the Baptist, Hereford, became vested in Alice Russell, widow, and Sarah Russell, spinster, her daughter; and the said Alice died, leaving behind her Judith, wife of William Passey, and the said Sarah, late wife of Charles Biss, her daughters and only children, leaving also a will. Indenture, dated 25 May 1743, between William Weaver of first part, the said William Passey of second part, the said Charles Biss of third part, and Thomas Biss, by the name and addition of Rev'd Thomas Biss of All Souls College, Oxford, of fourth part—said Charles Biss since dead, intestate (adm'on to him granted to James Woodhouse), and said Thomas Biss has since also died intestate and a bachelor at All Souls College—adm'on to said Rev'd Thomas, limited as to his interest in the premises in Hereford, granted 8 Sept. 1755 to Richard Summers on behalf of the said James Woodhouse.

5 Jan. 1772. George Poyner Bisce, late of Coddicot Bury, co. Herts, Esq. Niece Anna Maria Church—Mr William Church, late of Snow Hill, London, apothecary—sister Jane Church, widow—sister Rebecca Page, widow—nephew George Bisce Church, under 25. No other relations mentioned. Proved 22 Jan. 1772 by John Norton, the sole ex'or. (5 Taverner.) In the Probate Act book testator is described as formerly of Coddicot Bury, co. Herts, but late of New Windsor, co. Berks.

Signature from will.

23 June 1827. Rev'd Thomas Bisce of Portnall Park, par. Egham, co. Surry, clerk. Wife Charlotte—son Thomas Chaloner Bisce—son William Chaloner Bisce—will of Mrs. Lydia Chaloner referred to. Proved 1 Dec. 1828 by Thomas Chaloner Bisce, Esq., the son. (686 Sutton.)

8 Nov. 1610. Adm'on to Laurence Bisce, late of Preston, par. Ferring, co. Sussex, dec'd, granted to John Sheppard alias Gibbs, a creditor.

23 Oct. 1529. William Longe of Fresheford [eo. Somerset], clothier. Wife Alice buried in church there—testator born at Sem'ynhton and there baptized—sister Margaret Barley—daughter Mary Long—son Thomas Long, under 21—wife Isabel and her children—brother little John Longe—“to Thomas Horton the younger and *Joane Bysse* of Publey my wife's brother,” “the whiche said Thomas Horton and *John Bysse* of Publey I make my overseers”—said wife Isabel, ext'x. Proved 7 Jan. 1529-30 by said ext'x. (14 Jankyn.)

10 Jan. 1571-2. “I John Cutt of bristowe, Merchaunte and late Maio' there.” To be buried in the church of St. Werbergh in Bristol—wife Johan—son William Cnnt—son Nicholas Cnnt—son Mathew Cutt, under 21—daughter Bridget, unmarried—brother-in-law John Riche—son-in-law John Bysse—son-in-law Robert Sandforde—brother-in-law Thomas Kelcke—“to John Bysse's chilrenne.” Proved 10 June 1575 for said wife, the sole ext'x. (24 Pickering.)

20 Aug. 1592. William Strowde of Shepton Mallett, dio. Bath and Wells. Son Jeffery Strowde—son William Strowde—son George Strowde—daughter Mary Strowde—testator thinks his wife pregnant—mother Aliee Strowde—brother Edward Strowde—sister Anne Allambridge—brother Thomas Strowde—cousin Thomas Cowarde—cousin William Bisce—wife Elizabeth, ext'x. Proved 1 Sept. 1592 for said ext'x. (70 Harrington.)

11 June 1595. Ann Trewman of Frampton Cottrell, co. Gloucester, widow. Grandchildren Trewman—sister Joan Bisce, wife of Thomas Bisce—brother-in-law Thomas Bisce—Ann Bisce, daughter of said Thomas, Elizabeth Bisce, daughter of same, and Arthur Bisce, Thomas Bisce, and Sarah, children of same—deceased husband Edward Trewman. Proved 7 Nov. 1595. (68 Scott.)

1 April 1603. Dame Joan Younge of the city of Bristol, widow. “To Andrew Bisce my servaunt tenn pounds.” Proved (with a codicil dated 16 May 1603) 7 Feb. 1603-4. (25 Harte.)

5 June 1603. Elizabeth Martyn of Heath House in Rodden, eo. Som^t, but at Boyton, eo. Wilts, widow. To Samuel Bysse, son of Gilbert Bysse—to Susan Bennet, wife of John Bennet, and to Aliee Bysse her sister. Said John Bennet had issue. Proved 3 Feb. 1614-5. (11 Rudd.)

16 Feb. 1605-6. Anne Bridgman of Badminton Magna, eo. Gloucester, widow. Daughter Judith Bisce—Judith Bisce, daughter of Edward Bisce, my son-in-law, under 18, and her two sisters, Joane Bisce and Grace Bisce, under same age—Judith Bisce, wife of said Edward, and Florence Bisce, daughter of the same—children of brother Sir Robert Younge—estate of mother, Lady Younge, unadministered by brother, Mr Nieholas Strangwaius, her ex'or, dec'd—etc., etc. Proved 8 July 1606. On 10 Nov. 1612 adm'on of goods, etc., unadministered by the ex'or, now dec'd, granted to Judith Bysse (wife of Edward Bysse), the daughter. (59 Stafford.)

1607. Peter Blackborowe. William Bysse an overseer and a witness. Not dated. Proved 8 Aug. 1607. (72 Huddleston.)

2 Nov. 1607. John Serrey [of Stokelane, eo. Som^t]. Brothers-in-law James Bisce and Robert Russe the elder—son James—daughter Elizabeth—daughter Judith. Proved 3 Feb. 1607-8 by Mary Serrey, the reliet and ext'x. (17 Wimborne.)

Signature from will.

23 Jan. 1608. George Upton of Wells, co. Som^t, Esq. Edward Bysse, eldest son of Edward Bysse my brother-in-law—nephews Upton Bysse and Philip Bysse, sons of sister Elizabeth Bysse, and Jeffery Strowde, William Strowde, and Thomasin Strowde, sons and daughter of William Strowde, her former husband—George Strowde and Mary Strowde, two other children of said William Strowde. Adm'on and will 23 Feb. 1608-9, confirmed by sentence 1609. (20 Dorsett.)

17 Jan. 1610. Henry Joyce of Wells, co. Som^t. Master Mr Dr Bisse and mistress—Mr Thomas Bisse, my master's son, and his two children—Mr Dr Hilles and his six children—three children of Mr John Swadell—Mr Samuel Bisse and his three children. Proved 22 May 1612. (36 Fenner.)

12 Feb. 1612. Barnard Benson of the city of Bristol, pewterer. Peter Biss, scrivener, a witness. Proved 9 July 1613.

7 Sept. 1619. "I William Hill of Mells in the countye of Somerset, clerke, Doctor in divinitie." Wife Edith—daughter Washer—daughter Markes and her daughter Sarah—son Markes—son Philip, under 24—son Washer—son Benjamin—daughter Mary—daughters Prudence and Anna, both under 21 and unmarried—Rev^d father-in-law Dr Biss, dec^d, who made a will. Witnesses, Robert Markes, John Washer, and others. Proved 10 March 1619-20 by Mary Hill the daughter. (27 Soame.)

Signature from will.

4 Dec. 1624. Jeffery Strode of Shepton Mallett, co. Somerset, gent. Wife Sarah—christening of said wife's sons Edward and Josias—son William Strode—brothers George Strode and William Strode, ex'ors—Edward Barnard of Downeside par. Shepton Mallett, gent., Edward Bisse, the younger, of Spartgrane par. Batcombe, gent., and Nathaniel Barnard of Downeside aforesaid, overseers. Edward Bisse a witness. Proved 31 Jan. 1624-5 by William Strode, power reserved to George Strode. (8 Clarke.)

22 May 1625. Thomas Strowde of Batcombe, co. Somerset, gent. Wife Eleanor—eldest son John Strowde, and James Strowde and John Strowde his sons, and his daughter—children of daughter-in-law Amy Strowde of Shepton Mallett—to daughter Joyce Bisse, wife of William Bisse, and the children of the said William Bisse (except Amy, wife of Ruddocke of Noney, and Mary, wife of Webb of Ham)—two daughters of Mr Edward Bisse the younger, and the eldest daughter of Mr Upton Bisse—Elizabeth Bisse, wife of Edward Bisse, Esq.—to James Bisse of Westcombe—son-in-law William Bisse, ex'or—James Bisse and Edward Bisse, Esqrs, overscres. Proved 20 June 1625 by said ex'or. On 20 Aug. 1625 adm'on of goods, etc., nnadministered by said ex'or, now also dec^d, granted to James Bisse, Esq., Edward Bisse, Esq., Nathaniel Barnard, gent., James Bisse, clerk, and Robert Bisse, gent. (80 Clarke.) Sentence for confirmation of said will 14 Nov. 1626. (130 Hele.)

19 June 1626. John Smithes of Wrington, co. Somerset, Esq. Deceased son John Smithes, buried in Wrington Church—wife Joan—cousin Mr William Strode

—son-in-law John Coxe—daughter Elizabeth Godwyn, wife of Robert Godwyn, gent.—daughter Sarah Harvie, wife of Nicholas Harvie, gent.—children of said daughters Elizabeth and Sarah—daughters Jane Barnard, wife of Edward Barnard, gent., Mary Bisce, wife of James Bisce, gent., Johan Chichester, wife of Richard Chichester, gent., and Judith Taverner, wife of John Taverner, gent.—kinswoman Susan Passion—brother-in-law John Bickombe, gent.—daughter-in-law Mary Coxe—daughter-in-law Sarah Smithes, widow—grandchild Johan Strode—said wife sole ext'x. Proved 2 Sept. 1626 by said ext'x. (109 Hele.)

4 June 1627. "I John Casberd of Eastherington within the parish of S^ct Cutbert in Wells in the Countie of Som'sst, Yeoman." Wife Jndith, ext'x—children mentioned in general terms. Proved 29 Sept. 1627 by said ext'x. (87 Skinner.)

11 March 1628. "I Thomas Hawker of Spartgrov within the Parrish of Battecombe in the county of Som'st, Esquier." Daughter Elizabeth Bisce, wife of Edward Bisce, the younger, of Spartgrov aforesaid, Esq.—daughter Ann Blake, wife of William Blake of Kensington, co. Midd^x, Esq.—daughter Lady Hawker—Edward Bisce, the elder, of Spartgrov, Esq.—grandchild Ann Blake, daughter of said William Blake, Esq.—said daughter Lady Hawker, ext'x—wife, Lady, and brother-in-law John Philoll, ext'x and ex'or in trust. Proved 24 June 1636 by Lady Hawker, the relict, and John Filoll, power reserved to Lady Hawker, the daughter. (75 Pile.)

14 Feb. 1634-5. Christian Challenor of New Windsor, co. Berks, widow. "To my cossen Bisce his wife"—"to my goddaughter Christian Bisce." Proved 27 April 1637. (55 Goare.)

26 Aug. 1635. Codicil of George Mompesson of Corton, co. Wilts, Esq., made about 26 Aug. 1635. Son Henry—son George, dec^d—daughter Frances—daughter Helen—daughter Rachel—wife, with child. Proved 23 June 1637 by Helen Mompesson, the relict, and confirmed by sentence which follows. (99 Goare.) [From said sentence it appears that the said George's will was dated 13 May 1633, but this is not registered. The Probate Act book states that the said will was proved 2 Dec. 1635 by Helen Mompesson, the relict, and that it was confirmed by sentence in 1637.]

15 Oct. 1636. John Filloll of Spartgroue, co. Somerset, gent. Cousin John Filloll, son of brother William, dec^d—"cossen John Bisce sonne to my brother-in-law Mr James Bisce of Croscoms"—three sisters—cousins Grace Fitzjames and Joan Fitzjames—nieces, the other three daughters of my sister Hawker—sister's daughter Thomasin Maye—consin Edward Bisce, the younger, ex'or. Edward Bisce, sen^r, a witness. Proved 2 Feb. 1636-7 by Edward Bisce, jun^r, the ex'or, who was sworn before Mr James Bisce, clerk. (17 Goare.)

13 April 1641. Edward Orange of Foscott, co. Somerset. Wife—son William—sons Humphrey and Francis—daughter Mary, unmarried—daughter Bull—daughter Johanna—son John—deceased father—daughter Edith Orange, dec^d, made a will—sister Cheeke—daughter Elizabeth Bull—grandchild William Bull and grandchild and godson Edward Bnll—father Mr James Bysse—son Bull—nephew Mr Edward Nicholls. Published 19 May 1641. Laurence Bull a witness to said will and to the codicil. Proved (with a codicil dated 23 June 1641) 3 Feb. 1641-2 by Elizabeth Orange, the relict. (22 Campbell.)

13 April 1650. John Albin of Brewton, co. Somerset, yeoman. Son John and his children. Proved 2 April 1651 by sons John and Henry Albin. (60 Grey.)

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19 April 1651. Robert Russe of Crocombe, co. Somerset, clothier. Grandchild Robert Borde, under 21—grandchild Hester Borde, under 16—grandchild John Borde—grandchild William Borde—grandchild Mary Borde, under 16—wife Hester—said wife's daughter Hester and her children—son-in-law Robert Borde, ex'or—cousin Richard Mogg and cousin Frances Borde, overseers. Proved 21 Nov. 1651 by said ex'or. (223 Grey.)

Signature from will.

27 June 1653. Thomas Fort of Wiviliscombe, co. Somerset, husbandman. Wife Joan. Proved 13 Sept. 1653 by Joan, the relict. (197 Brent.)

2 Dec. 1653. Anne Strode of Shepton Mallett, co. Somerset, widow. Son Thomas Strode—daughter Sarah Clutterbuck and her children and husband. Proved 11 Sept. 1657. (354 Ruthen.)

30 May 1654. Henry Davisson of Freshford, co. Somerset. Son Joseph Davisson—wife Ann—daughter Jane Cull—granddaughter Sarah Cull, under 21—daughter Elizabeth Ashe. John Ashe a witness. Proved 3 Nov. 1658 by Ann, the relict. (646 Wootton.)

1 Nov. 1657. Jane Barnard of Downeside, co. Somerset, widow. Sister Mrs Mary Bissey. Proved 21 Oct. 1670. (132 Penn.)

9 June 1660. Salomon Vandenbrooke of St James', Duke's Place, London, weaver. Grandchildren Solomon Stint and Abigail Stinte, children of daughter Abigail Stinte—son-in-law Ralph Stint—son-in-law Edward Bissey—wife Abigail—daughter Abigail Stint—daughter Elizabeth Bissey, wife of said Edward. Proved 14 Sept. 1660 by Abigail Vande'brooke, the relict. (257 Nabbs.)

7 June 1661. George Barber of Ashmere, co. Dorset, gent. Wife—daughter Eleanor—grandchildren George and Sarah Barber, children of son Roger Barber, both under 21—son Roger—eldest son Robert Barber, ex'or—son-in-law John Straight and grandchild Philip Bissey, overseers. Proved 13 June 1662 by said ex'or. (80 Laud.)

2 March 1665. Thomas Plimpton of Cricket Malherb, co. Somerset. Father Thomas Plimpton of the same, sole ex'or. No one else mentioned. Proved 19 May 1666 by said ex'or. (85 Mico.)

26 July 1665. Mary Allbin. Testatrix probably relict of Thomas Allbin—no children mentioned. Proved 22 Nov. 1665. (135 Hyde.)

22 Nov. 1666. Abigail Vandebrooke of Westham, co. Essex, widow. Daughter Elizabeth Bisse, wife of Edward Bisce, citizen and draper of London—granddaughter Elizabeth Bisce, daughter of said daughter Elizabeth—daughter Abigail Stint—grandchild Abigail Stint, daughter of said daughter Abigail—son-in-law Edward Bisce, ex'or. Proved 11 March 1671-2 by said ex'or. On 9 July 1700 adm'on of goods, etc., unadministered by said ex'or, granted to James Bisce, M.D., his son and adm'or. (36 Eure.)

14 Dec. 1672. Lucy Barber of Ashmoore, co. Dorset, widow. Eldest son Robert Barber—Younger son Roger Barber—daughter Mabel Wastfeild—niece and goddaughter Anne Ryves of Fyfehead, co. Dorset, spinster—son-in-law John Straight, clerk—George Barber, son of said Roger—brother William Harbin—George Barber and Robert Barber, sons of said son Robert—granddaughters Anne Ettrick, Lucy Langley, Elizabeth Ivy, and Bridget and Christian Barber, daughters of said son Robert—grandsons Jarvice West and Oswald West, children of daughter Gertrude, dec'd—grandson George Straight and granddaughter Lucy Cleeves—granddaughters Margaret Straight, Ann Straight, and Katherine Straight—grandson George Wastfield—granddaughter Martha Wastfeild—grandsons John Wastfeild, Richard Wastfeild, and Charles Wastfeild, and granddaughter Anne Wastfeild—grandson Philip Bisce, residuary legatee and sole ex'or. Proved 13 March 1673-4 by said ex'or. (32 Bunee.)

1 May 1673. Hugh Hodges, the elder, of Sherborne, co. Dorset, gent. Daughter Susanna Hodges—son Hugh Hodges—grandson Hugh Hodges—son-in-law Thomas Brickenden, clerk—daughter Elizabeth Brickenden—grandchildren Thomas Brickenden, Hugh Brickenden, Elizabeth Brickenden, Anne Brickenden, and Edmund Brickenden, children of said son-in-law—grandson Hugh Hodges, son of said son Hugh—kinsman Strode Bisce, cousin Joyee Bisce, and sister Frances Bisce their mother. Strode Bisce a witness. Proved 14 June 1673 by Hugh Hodges, the son. (79 Pye.)

12 Feb. 1674-5. Adm'on to Ralph Stent, late of St. Mary's Woolchurch, London, dec'd, granted to Abigail Stent, the relict.

28 Jan. 1678. Harry Symes of Frampton Cotterell, co. Gloucester, Esq. "Loving Daughter Jane now wife of Edward Bysse, Gent." Proved 12 Feb. 1682-3 by Ann Symes, widow, the relict. De bonis non 20 Oct. 1686 (said Ann then dead), 12 March 1690-1, and 23 Dec. 1708. (26 Drax.)

25 Jan. 1679. John Straight, M.A., Vicar of Turnworth, co. Dorset. Daughter Harding—daughter Bisce—daughter Cleeves—daughter Merry—daughter Romayne—daughter Katherine Straight—daughter-in-law Sarah Straight—daughter Harding's youngest son Jabez—son-in-law Mr Philip Bisce—daughter Margaret, wife of John Merry, clk.—son George Straight—daughter Katherine the younger, unmarried—wife dead—son John, ex'or. Proved 14 July 1680 and 12 Oct. 1680. (89 Bath.)

23 Nov. 1680. John Strangwayes of Marnhull, co. Dorset, gent. Wife Elizabeth—son-in-law James Bisce of Badcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., and daughter Grace his now wife. Proved 3 June 1681 by Elizabeth Strangwayes, the relict. (100 North.)

29 March 1691. Thomas Mompesson of North Bruhan, co. Somerset, Esq.

Daughter Florence—wife—brother Henry and said wife, ex'or and ext'x. Proved 30 Oct. 1691 by Florence Mompesson, the relict, power reserved to Henry Mompesson. On 1 Sept. 1710 adm'on of goods, etc., unadministered by Florence Mompesson, the relict, now dec'd, granted to Eleanor Newman alias Mompesson (wife of Francis Holles Newman, Esq.), the daughter and next of kin, Henry Mompesson, the brother, etc., being dead. (170 Verc.)

22 Feb. 1698-9. Roger Cossins of Crewkerne, co. Somerset, gent. "Geo. Bisce" a witness. Proved 22 April 1699. (55 Pett.)

26 April 1699. Anthony Plimpton, the elder, of Crosecombe, co. Somerset, gent. Niece Susanna Davis—cousin Thomas Pew of Shepton Mallett and Ann his wife—kinswoman Mary Abbott of Shepton Mallett—cousin Thomas Pew's son Thomas and daughter Gertrude—niece Mary Plimpton (now Walter) of Crocombe—cousin William Bisce of Blandford—cousin Robert Plimpton of London and his son Anthony—cousin Elizabeth Plimpton, daughter of nephew William Plimpton, late of London, dec'd—cousin Elizabeth Wells (now Salway) of Cresham and her sons Edward and John—cousin Ann Oborn—cousin Thomas Bisce, late of Quantockhead, and cousin Diana Shint, wife of William Shint—cousin William Berkenhead and his four children—cousin Richard Clark of Shepton Mallet, and his sister Ann Clark—cousin Richard Plimpton—cousin Anthony Plimpton, junr, of Crocombe, mercer, ex'or. Proved 12 Sept. 1699 by said ex'or. (149 Pett.)

16 Nov. 1709. Richard Morgan, the elder, of Easton in Gordane alias St. George's, co. Somerset, but now of the city of Bristol, Esq. Eldest son Richard Morgan and his wife—daughter Anne, unmarried—eldest daughter Joanna, the now wife of Edward Bisce of the said par. of St. George, clerk—youngest son Thomas Morgan—to George Freeman of the city of Bristol, gent. Proved 9 Dec. 1709 by Richard Morgan, Esq., the son. (292 Lane.)

19 Nov. 1715. Henry Mompesson of Babington, co. Somerset, Esq. "To Thomas and George the sons of Captain Bisce five Pounds apiece"—"to my kinsman Mr Bisce that was a sooldier at Gibraltar" £20—wife Elizabeth. Proved 13 Feb. 1715-6 by Elizabeth, the relict. (31 Fox.)

15 Jan. 1716. John Covant of Portbury, co. Somerset, gent. Kinsman John Biss of the Island of Madeira, merchant—wife Mary—Edward Biss, Joanna Biss, and Irania Biss, son and daughters of kinsman Edward Biss of St. George's, clerk—said wife and kinsman John Biss, ext'x and ex'or. Proved 27 April 1727 by said Mary, power reserved to said John. (84 Farrant.)

29 April 1735. Thomas George of Crocombe, co. Somerset, clothier. Testator had conveyed all his real estate to John Bisce, clerk, Rector of Weston super Mare in same co., and John Rogers of Dinder in said co., gent., in trust—wife Catherine—niece Elizabeth Bryant—nephew George Bryant—nephews Thomas Speed and John Speed. Elias Rebotier a witness. Proved 23 June 1741 by Catherine, the relict. (153 Spurway.)

Signature from will.

5 June 1746. Adm'on to Peter Davis, late of the city of Wells, Esq., widower,

dec^d, granted to Peter Davis, Esq., the son. De bonis non Feb. 1778, and limited de bonis non Sept. 1836.

17 Feb. 1747. Richard Riland, Rector of Sutton Coldfield, co. Warwick. Elder son Richard Bisce—*younger* son John—nephew Charles Riland, son of brother Mr John Riland of Sutton Coldfield aforesaid—wife Mary—mother-in-law Mrs Elizabeth Owstey, wife to Rev. Mr John Owstey of Whitelackington, co. Som^t. Proved (with 1st cod. dat. 5 Feb. 1749, and 2nd ditto 14 March 1752) 3 Sept. 1765 by Mary Riland, the relict and ext'x. (345 Rushworth.)

2 June 1750. Bisce Richards of Wimbledon, co. Surry, Esq. Everything to trustees for the benefit of mother, Eleanor Richards. Adm'on, with will annexed, of goods, etc., of Bisce Richards, bachelor, dec^d, granted to Eleanor Richards, widow, the mother and next of kin, 15 Jan. 1756. (20 Glazier.)

8 Sept. 1755. Limited administration to Rev^d Thomas Biss. The bondsmen were Richard Summers of the city of Hereford, yeoman, John Hawkins of St. Faith's, London, druggist, and John Ravenhill of St. John the Baptist, Hereford, mercer.

5 Jan. 1756. Eleanor Richards of Wimbledon, co. Surry, widow. Testatrix refers to the will of her deceased son Bisce Richards, Esq. First codicil, dated 8 Feb. 1756: To Joseph Richards of Lambeth, co. Surry, glassmaker—nephew George Bray—nieces Mary Ryland and her husband—nieces Mary Waters otherwise Bennett—nieces Mary Rowe—nieces Margaret Sanderson—nieces Mary Vigers—nephew Stephen Shute—nephew William Rowe. Second codicil, dated 5 April 1756. Said will and codicils proved 18 May 1756. (149 Glazier.)

29 Aug. 1759. Elizabeth Rebotier, wife of Elias Rebotier of Axbridge, co. Som^t, clerk. Brother-in-law Edward Jones of the city of Bristol, ironmonger—Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Homfray of said city, ironmonger, and Elizabeth, wife of the said Thomas—sister Ellen Chorley, spinster—Ann, wife of said Edward Jones—said Edward, sole ex'or. Adm'on, with the will annexed, of the goods, etc., of Elizabeth Rebotier, late of Axbridge, co. Som^t, widow, dec^d, was granted 28 June 1766 to Elizabeth Homfray (wife of Thomas Homfray), the niece of the said dec^d and residuary legatee, substituted in the said will; Edward Jones, the ex'or and residuary legatee in trust, having renounced; Elias Rebotier, the husband of the said dec^d, etc., having died in her lifetime; and Ellen Chorley, spinster, the sister and only next of kin, having also renounced.

25 Nov. 1765. Elias Rebotier of Axbridge, co. Som^t, clerk. Granddaughter Elizabeth Speed—brother David Rebotier of Stoke Newington, co. Middx, merchant, living 19 May 1749—wife Elizabeth—granddaughter Elizabeth Speed of Crosecomb in said co. Som^t, spinster, under 21—nephew Charles Rebotier of Stoke Newington aforesaid—to said wife (inter alia) “a pair of silver candlesticks and snuffers with mine and the Bisses' arms on them”—Mary Dunster of Axbridge, widow, sister of testator's present wife, was a benefactor by will to the poor of that parish. Proved 21 Jan. 1766 by Elizabeth Rebotier, the relict and sole ext'x. (32 Tyndall.)

Elias Rebotier

Signature from will.

24 July 1766. Adm'on of the goods, etc., of the Rev. Elias Rebotier, late of

Axbridge, co. Som^t, clerk, dec^d, unadmin'd by Elizabeth Rebotier, widow, dec^d, the relict, etc., was granted to Elizabeth Homfray (wife of Thomas Homfray), the niece and adm't'x, with the will annexed, of the said Elizabeth, dec^d. Will reg'd in Jan. last.

24 May 1777. Mary Riland of Sutton Coldfield, co. Warwick, widow. Son Rev. Mr Richard Bisce Riland—son Rev. Mr John Riland—daughters-in-law M^{rs} Mary Riland, wife of said son Mr Richard Bisce R., and M^{rs} Ann Riland, wife of said son Mr John R.—nieces M^{rs} Katherine Riland and her sisters M^{rs} Elizabeth Cooke, M^{rs} Sarah Fletcher, and M^{rs} Jane Spencer, and their husbands, Mr John Cooke, Mr Thomas Fletcher, and Rev. Dr Benjamin Spencer—said sons, ex'ors. Codicil dated 26 March 1779. Son Rev. Mr Richard Bisce Riland has made his will leaving to his two daughters Lydia Riland and Phoebe Riland. Said will and codicil proved 19 Aug. 1779. (358 Warburton.)

CONSISTORY COURT OF LONDON.

22 July 1624. Adm'on to John Bisce, late of St. Botolph's, Aldersgate, London, dec^d, granted to William Westwood, a creditor; Ann Bisce, the relict, having renounced.

ARCHIDIACONAL COURT OF MIDDLESEX.

24 Aug. 1721. Adm'on to Eleanor Biss, late of St James, Westminster, co. Midd^x, spinster, dec^d, granted to Elizabeth Eade alias Biss (wife of William Eade), the mother.

20 July 1752. Elizabeth Biss of Kensington, co. Midd^x, widow. Son Samuel Biss of Kensington, dyer, died intestate—daughter-in-law Mary Biss, widow of said Samuel, sole ext'x. Proved 3 Jan. 1753 by said ext'x.

ARCHIDIACONAL COURT OF LONDON.

9 Aug. 1692. Adm'on to John Bysse, late of par. of SS. Ann and Agnes, London, dec^d, granted to Mary Bysse, widow, the relict.

COURT OF DEAN AND CHAPTER OF ST. PAUL'S.

23 July 1680. Renunciation of adm'on to Bartholomew Bisce, late of St Giles, Cripplegate, but in Christchurch Hospital, London, dec^d, by Jane, the relict.

LONDON, SHOREHAM, AND CROYDON COURT.

1713-4. James Bisce of St Mary's, Newington, co. Surry, schoolmaster. Sister Margaret Light—brother Robert Light's children—mother made a will—Elizabeth, Anne, Jane, and John Robinson—brother Henry Cane, ex'or. Affidavit 14 May 1715 by Laurence Francklin of St Mary's, Newington Butts, co. Surry, gent., aged 57, and Anne Robinson of the same, aged 25. Said Laurence a neighbour to testator, who died on or about Wednesday 11th inst., for nearly 40 years. The ex'or, Harry Cane, brother by the half-blood, as said Laurence believes, to testator. Said Anne, daughter of Elizabeth Robinson, widow, who now lives in the said par. of St Mary. Said will proved 14 May 1715 by Henry Cane, the brother and ex'or. (Fo. 1289.)

COSISTORY COURT OF SARUM.

21 Aug. 1663. "I Walter Bisce, Reeto^r of the Church of Byshopstrowe." "Vnto my sonn Thomas Bisce ten pounds to pay for a dispensatio^t to y^e Arch Byshop to snecede me in my parsonage," etc., etc.—"vnto Walter Bisce, the sonne of my sonne Thomas," 40s., etc., "after the death of my wife and not before"—said wife the mother of said Thomas—"vnto my daughter Diekenson" and "her three daughters and Luce Bisce one of the daughters of my sonne Thomas Bisce"—"vnto Edward Target, the husband of my daughter Anne," 10s.—to said daughter Anne the use of £100 as long as she lives, etc.—John, son of said daughter Anne—"the daughters of my sonne Thomas and the daughters of my daughter Dickenson"—cousin Walter Diekenson to "preach my ffunerall Sermon"—wife, ext'x—Mr Benjamin Gifford of Boreham and Mr John Bennet, jun^r, of Smalbrooke, overseers. Filed 1664. Jurat of Anercta Bisce, the relict, 13 Feb. 1664. Inventory dated 1 Feb. 1664-5, exhibited 13 April 1665, £332.

WELLS REGISTRY.

30 Jan. 1608. Christian Bisce of Crosecombe, eo. Somerset. To my son William Bisce £10—to James Bisce the elder, my son, ground called "Pynam"—to James Bisce the younger, my son, £10 that he oweth me and £13 6s. 8d. more—to my daughter Mary Serrage [should be Serraye] £10—to my daughter Ann Nashe £10—Mary Nashe, daughter of said Ann—to my daughter Sarah Barket £10—to my daughter Joyee Pen £10—to my daughter Hester Russe £10—to my daughter Elizabeth £50—to every of my children's children 10s. each, which my husband by his will gave them, except Emma Barkets, to whom I give £6 13s. 8d. for her marriage or when 22—to my daughter Elizabeth the best bedstead with the curtains in the guest's chamber—residue to Robert Bisce my son, and he ex'or. Signed by mark. Proved 10 Aug. 1609.

10 Feb. 1622. John Bisce of Publow, eo. Somerset, yeoman. To my kinswoman Joan Neave, wife of Thomas Neave of Bristol, joiner, £10—kinsman Nicholas Lock (?). Proved 1 March 1622.

4 Sept. 1638. James Bisce of Pensford, co Somerset, yeoman. To be buried in the churchyard there—to the poor of Pensford and Publow—to my wife Edith an annuity of £7—my son John Bisce—my son Samuel Bisce, ex'or—my eousin John Loek (?) and Samuel Gage, overseers. Signed by mark. Proved by said ex'or 4 Nov. 1638.

16 March 1661. Edward Bisce of Foxeott, co. Somerset. Wife and four children, not mentioned by name. Nuneupative will. Proved 8 April 1662 by Joan Bisce, the relict, in the Archidiaconal Court of Wells.

Chancery Proceedings.

DECREE ROLLS.

Decree dated 25 Jan. 1588-9. Before this time Robert Bisse and Richard Bisse, sons of Richard Bisce, late of Publoe, co. Somerset, clothman, dec^d, exhibited a Bill against Anthony Skutt, Esq. Said Richard, dec^d, had issue, John, eldest son, Laurence, 2nd son, the said Robert, 3rd son, and said Richard, 4th son. By will he gave to Frances his wife, mother of your orators. Said Frances remarried Laurence Baynerde, gent. Said Laurence Bisce and John Bisce died, and afterwards, viz., in or about July 1587, the said Frances died. Said Laurence Baynerde living 12 June 1588, and he married said Frances before 30 Nov. 1570, at which latter date Margaret Bisce, daughter of the said Richard, dec^d, was living.

Decree in 1647 in a cause between James Bisce, plaintiff, and Mary Morley, executrix of Henry Morley, defendant. Plaintiff seised of property in Beere Crokeham.

Decree, dated 20 Jan. 1676-7, in a cause between Robert Bisce, gent., plaintiff, and Richard Greene, John Yerbury, etc., defendants.

BILLS AND ANSWERS.

Bill, undated (but writ dated 29 Jan. 1573-4), by George Rawlyns of Warmister, co. Wilts, innholder. John Bysse, a clothier and a neighbour of his, died leaving a will, and a son James, and wife Elizabeth.

Ans., undated, of Elizabeth Bysse, widow.

15 June 1594. Bill by Thomas Roswell of Donckerton, co. Somerset, gent. John Bisce, late of Peglinche in said co., gent., dec^d, and his son John.

15 Nov. 1594. Ans. of said John Bisce the son. His said father died about a year and a half ago.

3 Nov. 1595. Bill by William Kelson and John Shorte of Whittokes meade, co. Somerset, yeoman. John Bisce, gent., about 36 Henry 8, was seised of the manor of Peglinch, and was living about 20 Dec. 2 Eliz.; after his death the said manor descended to John Bisce his son and heir, who died about 8 Eliz., at whose death the manor came to his son and heir John Bisce, gent. One Laurence Bisce, youngest brother of John Bisce, dec^d, and uncle to the now John Bisce. 6 Nov. 1595. Demurrer, etc., of Laurence Bisce, one of the defendants.

11 Oct. 1598. Bill by Edward Bysse of Spartgrae, co. Somerset, gent., and others. Mathew Greene, late of Mylton Clevedon in said co., Esq., living 18 Eliz.; his wife Katherine died about a year ago leaving a will. James Bysse a trustee for said Mathew.

27 June 1599. Bill by Thomas Bysse of Croscombe, co. Somerset, clothier. Philip Bysse, your orator's father, living about 2½ years ago.

2 Oct. 1599. Ans. of John Daye, the defendant.

25 Jan. 1618. Bill by James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., James Forde of Norton Hankwell in said co., gent., and Richard Gay of the city of Bath, gent., overseers of the will of Edmund Lacy of Shipham in said co., gent., dec^d.

Said Edmund about 18 years last past married Dorothy Bisce, one of the daughters of James Bisce, late of Batcombe aforesaid, Esq., decd^d, by whom he had divers children, viz., Edmund, Eleanor, and Elizabeth. He afterwards married Elizabeth Chiverell, one of the daughters of Robert Chiverell of Barton, co. Somerset, Esq., and had divers children by her. He made his said will about 5 years last past, and appointed Edward Bisce of Spartgrove in the aforesaid co., Esq., and Edward Bisce, son and heir apparent of the said Edward, ex'ors during the minority of his son Edmund Lacy.

10 April 1619. Ans. of Elizeus Lacy. 5 April 1619. Ans. of Edward Bisce, Esq.

6 Feb. 1621. Bill by Thomas Bisce of Weston super Mare, co. Somerset, clk., and John Drake of Walton in said co., gent.

4 May 1622. Ans. of John Cable, defendant.

15 Nov. 1622. Bill by Humphrey Bysse of Barnstaple, co. Devon, dycr. With Ans.

26 Nov. 1624. Bill by James Bisce of Beare Crocomb, co. Somerset, gent. James Bisce, clk., D.D., decd^d, lived sometime at Beare Crocomb. On 11 Sept. 1594 Francis Smyth granted copyhold property in the occupation of the said James Bisce, your orator's father, to Mary Bisce, your orator's mother, and your orator, and his sister Elizabeth Bisce, for their lives. Said Mary now dead.

19 Jan. 1624-5. Ans. of Francis Durman, gent., defendant.

15 May 1628. Bill by George Bisce of the city of Bristol, gent., and Sarah his wife. About 5 years since in consideration of a marriage to be had between your orator and his said wife, daughter of William Lewys of Bristol aforesaid, merchant, it was agreed by tripartite indenture between the said William of the 1st part, Mary Robson of Bristol aforesaid, widow, mother of your orator, of the 2nd part, and your said orator of the 3rd part, etc. Said orator had many children by said Sarah.

11 June 1628. Ans. of William Lewes, gent., one of the defendants.

8 June 1629. Bill by James Bisce of Pensford, co. Somerset, gent.

26 June 1629. Ans. of Amy Clement, defendant.

9 May 1632. Bill by Edward Bisce of Spartgrave, co. Somerset, Esq.

17 May 1632. Ans. of Philip Coxe, defendant.

25 June 1634. Bill by Philip Bysse of St Mary Magd. Coll., Oxford, gent., and Francis Tuthill of Axbridge, co. Somerset, mercer. Samuel Bysse, late of the city of Wells, gent., decd^d, father of your orator, Philip, being in his lifetime possessed of the Rectory or Parsonage of Chedder, co. Somerset, conveyed and assigned the same to several persons in trust to pay him the profit thereof for life, and after his decease to pay out of the said profits to Prudenee Bisce, your orator's mother, £40 a year for life, and employ the residue of the same for the maintenance of your orator until he should attain 21. Said Samuel had other children, and the said Prudenee died in his lifetime. Your said orator attaiued 21 about 5 May 1632.

2 July 1634. Ans. of Robert Rogers, defendant.

Replication, undated, of James Bisce the younger, and James Bisce his son, complainants, to the Answers of James Bisce the elder, and Edward Bisce, defendants.

31 May 1636. Bill by James Bisce, the younger, of Batcombe, co. Somerset, gent., and James Bisce his son. James Bisce, late of Batcombe, Esq., decd^d, grandfather to your orator James, the younger, had issue by Eleanor his wife, James Bisce, father of your orator James, the younger, his eldest son, and Edward Bisce

his 2nd son. Your orator James the younger's father had issue, your orator James, the younger. About 28 years ago said James, the grandfather, settled the manor of Batcombe, etc., on himself for life, rem^r to Eleanor his wife for life, rem^r to James Bisce, father of your orator James, the yonnger, for life, rem^r to your orator James, the yonnger, for life, with rem^r to his heirs male. Your orator James the younger's father, and the said Edward Bisce, by deed, about March 1 Chas. 1, between them and Edward Orange of Foscot, co. Somerset, gent., of the one part, and William Swanton and Arthur Vpton of Brnton in same co., gent., of the other part, directed the use or uses of a fine to be levied of the said manor, etc., viz., to the use of the said James, your orator James the yonnger's father, for life, rem^r to the nse of your orator James, the younger, for life, rem^r to the use of your orator James, the youngest, for life, rem^r to his issue male with divers rem^{rs} over.

20 June 1636. Ans. of James Bisce and Edward Bisce, Esq^{rs}. Said defendants, sons of James and Eleanor, mentioned in the Bill.

12 May 1637. Bill by Philip Bisce of Magdalen Coll., Oxford, Bach. of Laws, against Thomas Middleham. Your orator's father had property in Chedder, co. Somerset, which he passed away to James Pronse, Esq., and Robert Prouse, gent.

17 May 1637. Ans. of said defendant.

18 Oct. 1637. Bill by Edward Bisce, the younger, of Spartgrov, co. Somerset, Esq., and Elizabeth his wife, William Blake of Parsons Green, par. Fulham, co. Midd^x, Esq., and Ann his wife, and Thomas Chafin, the younger, of the city of New Sarum, co. Wilts, Esq., and Lady his wife. Thomas Hawker of Hayesbury, co. Wilts, Esq., dec^d, and Lady his wife, Edward Bisce, the elder, of Spartgrov, Esq., and your orator Edward Bisce, the younger, and Elizabeth his wife, by deed, dated on or about 14 Dec. 1625, between the said Thomas Hawker and Lady his wife, Edward Bisce, the elder, and your orator Edward Bisce, the younger, and Elizabeth his wife, of the one part, and William Blake, late of Kensington in said co. Midd^x, Esq., dec^d, father of your orator William Blake, and William Rolfe of London, Esq., of the other part, granted, sold, etc., to the said William Blake, the father, and William Rolfe, messuages, etc., in Tydrington alias Tythrington, parcel of the manor of Heytesbrye. Said William Blake, the father, afterwards knighted.

19 Jan. 1637-8. Ans. of some of the defendants.

5 Feb. 1637-8. Ans. of William Rolfe, Esq.

2 May 1638. Bill by James Bisce of Wells, co. Somerset, mercer, and Mary his wife. John Osborne, now dec^d, married Jane, and she dying he married Agnes Dandoe, by whom he had two daughters, Joan and your oratrix, Mary. He died about 31 July 1618, having made his will about 22nd of the same month, and appointed said Agnes ext'x, who duly proved the same. Said Agnes died on or about the Feast of St Michael the Archangel last past.

26 May 1638. Ans^{rs} of Michael Winscombe and Elizabeth his wife and others.

5 Oct. 1638. Ans^{rs} of John Britton, gent., and Thomas Dandoe.

20 Nov. 1638. Bill by Maurice Bisce of Lullington, co. Somerset, gent.

11 Oct. 1639. Bill by Edward Bisce of Norwood Park, par. St John, Glaston, co. Somerset, gent.

16 Jan. 1639-40. Ans. of John Gntch and others, defendants.

Circa 17 Charles I. Answer of Robert Richardson, gent., to the Bill of John Bisce, gent., and Elizabeth his wife. Property in Lincolnshire.

Answers of Anthony Barnard and William Hooker, two of the defendants to the Bill of John Bisse and Elizabeth his wife. Lincolnshire.

19 May 1642. Bill by James Bisce of Knowstone, co. Devon, merchant.

18 Feb. 1646. Bill by James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq. James Bisce, lately dec'd, grandfather of your orator, about 1 Chas. 1, by fine, etc., conveyed and assured the manors of Batcombe, Spargrove, etc., to the use of himself for life, rem'r to the use of Jaines Bisce, father of your orator, for life, rem'r to the use of your orator and his heirs male, with divers rem'rs over. Your orator's said father died in the lifetime of your orator's grandfather. William Orange of Foxcott, ex'or of said grandfather, Elizabeth Orange, widow, one of the daughters of same, Eleanor Cheeke of Batecombe, widow, one other daughter of same, and John Orange and Humphrey Orange, sons of said Elizabeth.

25 June 1647. Answers of William Orange, Elizabeth Orange, Eleanor Chicke, John Orange, and Humphrey Orange.

Feb. 1648. Bill by Humphrey Bisce of Barnstaple, co. Devon, dyer, administrator of the goods, etc., of James Bisce, late of the same, dec'd. Said James became bound unto Richard Ferris of Barnstaple, merchant, and Roger Peard of the same, merchant, for the ransoming and redeeming of John Bisce his brother, a prisoner in Argier, etc.

9 Feb. 1652. Bill by Humphrey Bisce of Tawton, co. Devon, dyer. George Shurt of Bideford in said co., merchant, kinsman to your orator.

13 June 1653. Ans. of George Shurt, defendant. Complainant ex'or to his father.

25 Jan. 1654. Bill by Edward Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., brother and heir of James Bisce, late called James Bisce, the younger, late of the same, Esq., dec'd.

30 Jan. 1654. Bill by Edward Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq. One James Bisce, the younger, late of the same, Esq., dec'd, brother to your orator.

May 1654. Bill by John Bisce of London, gent., sometime a dealer in "pott ashes."

18 May 1654. Answer of Thomas Blande, gent., one of the defendants. Complainant was of Harwich, co. Essex, gent., on 28 June 1651, and was possessed in right of his wife of property at or near Horncastle, co. Lincoln.

9 July 1654. Bill by Maurice Bisce of Laverton, co. Somerset, yeoman.

29 Oct. 1654. Answer of John Farwell, clk.

24 May 1655. Answer of Elizabeth Bisce, widow, one of the defendants to the Bill of Sir Henry Berkley, Kn't, and others, complainants. Said Elizabeth the widow of Edward Bisce, whose will, made on or about 1 Sept. 1644, was proved by her in the P.C.C.

10 Feb. 1658. Bill by Thomas Bisce of Elme, co. Somerset, gent.

12 June 1658. Bill by Thomas Bisce of Elme, co. Somerset, gent., heretofore exercising the trade of a clothier.

1 July 1658. Bill by Thomas Bisce of Elme, co. Somerset, gent., and Jane his wife. One Mary Pearce, late of Elme aforesaid, spinster, by will, dated 10 Feb. 1647, gave to your oratrix a bed with its furniture, and made Richard Pearce her (said Mary's) brother, since dec'd, ex'or, who proved said will. Johanna, relict of said Richard, afterwards married one Constantine Light, gent., and is lately dead. Your orator and oratrix married about a year ago.

Answer undated of Constantine Lyte, gent.

Bill by James Bisce of Wells, co. Somerset, mercer, and Mary his wife, daughter of John Osborne.

27 Nov. 1662. Bill by Philip Bisce of New Sarum, co. Wilts, clothier.

17 Jan. 1662-3. Ans. of William Wastfelde, gent., and Mabel his wife, and Edward Wastfelde, gent., defendants.

25 Jan. 1664. Bill by George Bisce of Wells, co. Somerset, Esq., and Ellen Mompesson of Spargrove in said co., widow.

10 Feb. 1665. Bill by George Bisce, Samuel Millner, and Robert Harwood, merchants, who, "haueing certaine quantytes of Tobacco growne in Antego and other parts of America, did about a yeare since import the same into England." With Answers.

16 Nov. 1665. Ans. of Agnes Boole, widow.

23 Oct. 1669. Bill by Ann Bisce of the city of Westminster, co. Middx, spinster. Ellen Clerke, late of Wethersfeild, co. Sussex, widow, decd, who died in 1665, made her will on or about 20 March 1658, appointing William Swan of Ousey, co. Essex, gent., sole ex'or, and giving to your oratrix, who was her kinswoman, £20. Bill against said ex'or, who refused to prove the will, to recover said legacy.

25 Oct. 1669. Bill by George Bisce of Wells, co. Somerset, Esq.

29 Nov. 1669. Answer of William Judd of Brewton in said co., gent. Mrs Ellen Mompesson, mother of complainant's wife. Messuage and lands called Spargrove were conveyed to Sir Henry Berkeley and William Strode by one Edward Bisce, Esq., father of said complainant.

30 June 1671. Bill by Thomas Bisce of Westbury under the Plain, co. Wilts, broadweaver. Richard Batt, late of the borough of Devizes, yeoman, by will, dated 21 Oct. 1669, gave to his cousin John Bisce lands, etc., in the said borough. Said John died about Nov. last, and your orator is his son and heir.

27 June 1672. Bill by Mary Bisce of Upton Noble, co. Somerset, widow. Your oratrix, one of the daughters, etc., of John Smythes, late of Wrington in said co., Esq., decd, and married James Bisce, Esq., decd about 50 years since. James Bisce, Esq., also decd, father of said James. Your oratrix had 10 children living at the death of her said husband, the eldest of whom was James Bisce, Esq., late of Batcombe, decd. Edward Bisce, 2nd son of your oratrix, died about three years ago, and James Bisce, his eldest son, then and yet an infant. Said eldest son of your oratrix died s.p. Thomas Mompesson of Corton, co. Wilts, Esq., and Henry Mompesson, Esq., uncles of said James Bisce, grandson of your oratrix. Bill against said grandson and Thomas and Henry Mompesson.

17 Oct. 1672. Answers of Thomas Mompesson, Esq., of Corton, co. Wilts, Henry Mompesson, gent., and James Bisce, an infant, by the said Thomas, his guardian. Edward Bisce, decd, father of said defendant, James.

27 Nov. 1672. Bill by Thomas Bisce of Ratley, co. Somerset, gent., and others, creditors of Robert Ithell, late of Keyford, par. Froome Sellwood, tanner.

20 Jan. 1672-3. Ans. of Richard Coombes, one of the defendants.

16 May 1674. Bill by Philip Bisce of Bellchallwell, co. Dorset, gent. About 1640 Philip Bisce, then or late of Magd. Coll., Oxford, clk., your orator's father, married Bridget, one of the daughters of George Barber of Ashmore in said co. Dorset, gent. Your orator's said father was seised of lands, etc., in Chedder, co.

Somerset, and he was preferred to the benefice of Pownestocke, co. Cornwall, from whence he went to Ireland, where he had Church preferment. Your orator, the only child of the said Philip and Bridget, being very young, was left behind at Pownestocke, and soon after your orator's father was killed and murdered by the Irish rebels, and about the same time your orator's mother died in Ireland. Your orator, at the death of his said parents, was about 2 years old, and thereupon he was removed into Dorsetshire, and educated, and bred up by the said George Barber, his grandfather, who died about 13 years since. Your orator's said father left no will. Lucy Barber, relict of the said George, and your orator's grandmother died about Michaelmas last leaving your orator her ex'or.

7 July 1674. Ans. of Robert Barber, Esq., son of said George. Complainant was educated by his said grandfather and afterwards bound apprentice to Mr. Cutler of the city of Salisbury, clothier. Said defendant gave complainant £100 to advance him in marriage to a daughter of John Straight of Stower Paine, co. Dorset, clk., and paid for him a debt he owed to one Mr. William Wastfeild of Salisbury, dec^d.

3 May 1676. Bill by Robert Bisse of Tytherington, co. Somerset, gent. With Answers.

6 May 1678. Bill by Edward Bisse of the city of Wells, co. Somerset, Esq., and Eleanor Bisse of Inglescombe in said co., widow.

1 June 1678. Answer of Richard Horler, defendant.

23 Oct. 1678. Bill by Philip Bisce of the city of Bristol, merchant. Thomas Bisce of the same, merchant, about 3 years since, borrowed £150 of Thomas Cole. Said Philip surety for said Thomas Bisce, who has an estate in the Island of Nevis.

18 Jan. 1678-9. Ans. of Margery Simons, wife of Thomas Simons, William Donning, and John Moore, 3 of the defendants, to the Bill of Philip Bisce, complainant.

24 Jan. 1680. Bill by Edward Bisce, Esq., son and heir of George Bisce, late of Wells, co. Somerset, Esq., dec^d.

24 May 1680. Bill by Jane Bisce, wife of Edward Bisce of Inglescomb, co. Somerset, Esq., and Amy Bisce and Ann Bisce, infants, the only children of the said Edward and Jane.

24 May 1680. Further Answer of said Thomas. Eleanor and Elizabeth Bisce, sisters of George Bisce, who married Eleanor, mentioned. Florence Walrond (query daughter of William Walrond), now wife of this defendant. With other Answers.

18 June 1680. Bill by Edward Bisce of London, draper.

29 June 1680. Answer of Anthony Tatham, gent., one of the defendants.

29 June 1680. Bill by Eleanor Bisce, widow, relict and adm^t of George Bisce, late of Insccombe, co. Somerset, Esq. Said George died about 2 years after the marriage of his son Edward.

7 July 1680. Answer of Thomas Mompesson, Esq., one of the defendants. George and Henry Bisce, sons of George and Eleanor, now dead s.p.

Sept. 1680. Plea of Edward Bisce, Esq., Henry Symes, Esq., and Joseph Langton, Esq., defendants.

24 May 1681. Ans. of Eleanor Bisce, widow, one of the defendants. Said Eleanor the relict of the said George Bisce and mother of the complainant. Said George about 30 years since sold the farm mentioned in the Bill, called "Batts ffarne," to Thomas Mompesson, Esq., this defendant's brother, who is also one of defendants to the said Bill.

June 1681. Bill by Eleanor Bisse of the city of Wells, co. Somerset, widow.

16 Sept. 1681. Answers of Henry Symes, Esq., and Edward Bisse, Esq. George Bisse of Wells, Esq., husband of the plaintiff and father of the defendant Edward, living 18 Oct. 1670.

5 Oct. 1681. Answer of Edwin Sandys, clk., one of the defendants.

16 Nov. 1682. Bill by Edward Bisse of [blank], co. Somerset, Esq., who married Jane Symes. George Bisse, complainant's father, by lease and release, dated about Oct. 1670, conveyed the Parsonage of Inscomb to Henry Mompesson and Thomas Hodges to the use of himself for life, rem^r to Eleanor his wife for life, rem^r to your orator and the heirs of his body, etc.

29 Nov. 1682. Ans. of Thomas Mompesson, Esq.

Dec. 1684. Bill by William Bisce of Taunton, co. Somerset, fuller.

7 Feb. 1684-5.* Answer of Thomas Bryant, defendant.

23 Dec. 1687. Bill by Edward Bysse of Frampton Cotterell, co. Gloucester, Esq., and Jane his wife, daughter, etc., of Harry Symes, etc.

20 Oct. 1688. Answers of John Jacob, Esq., and Susanna his wife, 2 of the defendants.

10 Feb. 1689. Bill by James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq.

7 May 1690. Bill by William Bysse of the city of Wells, co. Somerset, gent. George Bysse of the said city, Esq., dec^d, your orator's late father, being seised in fee of the Rectory or Parsonage of Inglescombe in the said co., etc., by indenture, dated 3 May 1670, between him, the said George, and Eleanor his wife, and Edward Bisce their eldest son and heir apparent, of the one part, and John Hall of Bradford, co. Wilts, Esq., and Thomas Mompesson of Corton in said co. Wilts, Esq., of the other part, conveyed the said Rectory, etc., to the said John and Thomas in trust to the use of himself for life, rem^r to said Eleanor for life, rem^r to said Edward the son and his heirs male, rem^r to George Bisce, second son of said George and Eleanor, and his heirs male, rem^r to Henry Bisce, one other son of said George, your orator's father, and his heirs male, rem^r to your orator and his heirs male, rem^r to the right heirs of the said Edward for ever. Said George and Eleanor have been dead several years.

16 May 1690. Ans. of John Hall, Esq.

30 May 1690. Ans. of Thomas Mompesson, Esq.

18 Oct. 1690. Ans. of Edward Bisce, one of the defendants. At or about the date of the indenture in the Bill pretended to have been sealed by this defendant's father, a treaty of marriage was brought on by this defendant's said father, and afterwards by him concluded between this defendant, being his eldest son and heir apparent, and Jane, this defendant's now wife, daughter of Harry Symes, Esq., and by indenture, dated on or about 17 and 18 Oct. 1670, he, the said George, conveyed the said Rectory, etc., to Henry Mompesson and Thomas Hodges, Esq., to the use of himself for life, rem^r to this defendant and his heirs male to be begotten on the body of the said Jane, etc., and shortly after the date of this indenture this defendant and the said Jane were married, and he hath issue by her one daughter named Amy, and the said Jane and Amy are both living.

10 May 1692. Bill by Edward Bisce of Frampton Cotterell, co. Gloucester, Esq. Katherine his sister, now wife of Stephen Welsted of London, M.D.

* Wrongly dated 7 Feb. 32 Chas. 2, the writ being dated 24 Jan. 36th of that reign.

14 June 1692. Ans. of Stephen Wellsted and Catherine his wife to the Bill of Edward Bissee, Esq., complainant. George Bissee, Esq., dec^d, father of the complainant and of the defendant Catherine, died about 20 years since, intestate, and adm'nt to him was granted to his relict, Eleanor. Said Eleanor made her will in or about Aug. 1688, and appointed said defendant Catherine sole exec'tx. Said Stephen and Catherine married about Jan. 1689.

17 Feb. 1693. Ans. of Christopher Mayne, Esq., and Mary his wife, one of the daughters of Thomas Mompesson, late of Batte Farne, co. Somerset, Esq., dec^d, two of the defendants, to the Bill of Edward Bissee, complainant. Eleanor Bissee and Henry Symes mentioned. Said complainant son of George Bissee, dec^d.

29 June 1693. Bill by Edward Bissee of Frampton Cotterell, co. Gloucester, Esq. Thomas Mompesson, Esq., now dead, having left a will.

15 Nov. 1693. Bill by James Bissee, who married Grace, eldest daughter and one of the coheiresses of John Strangwais, late of Maruhull, co. Dorset, gent., dec^d. A treaty of marriage being proposed between your orator and his said now wife, the said John proposed to give his said daughter £1000 as a marriage portion, and your orator was to settle on his said wife and her children a farm at Bateomb after the decease of Constantine, mother of your orator. Said Constantine now wife of Henry Davison. Elizabeth, daughter of said John Strangwais, now wife of William Honieott.

7 March 1703. Bill by James Biss of the City of London, M.D.

1 Feb. 1713-4. Bill by James Bissee of Compton, par. Pilton, co. Somerset, gent. George Roweliffe of Henstridge in said co. "being to pay to yo^r orator as his marriage poneon with [blank] his now wife, daughter-in-law of the said George Roweliffe," £1000 or thereabouts, etc.

22 Oct. 1716. Bill by James Bissee, Esq., eldest son and heir and ex'or of James Bissee, late of Batecombe, co. Somerset, Esq., dec^d, on his own behalf and as next friend of George Bissee, one of his (your orator's) brothers. Said George is now and has been from his nativity an idiot. John Wah of Batecombe, yeoman, married Grace, your orator's mother, and she is still living.

3 July 1717. Answer of John Waeh alias Wah, one of the defendants. He denies that the said George, his stepson, is an idiot, but seems to admit that he is of weak intellect. Mr. Francis Bissee, nnele of the complainant, survived the said James, dec^d. Said Grace still living.

8 May 1718. Bill by Robert Biss of Compton, co. Somerset, clothier, John Biss of the same, gent., Catherine Biss of the same, spinster, Edith Biss of the same, spinster, Anne Biss of the same, spinster, and E[lias] Rebotier, clk., and Margaret his wife, of Wells in said co., which said Robert, John, Catherine, Edith, Anne, and Margaret are sons and daughters of James Bissee, late of Compton, aforesaid, gent., dec^d, who was brother of Hester Biss, late of Shepton Mallet in said co., spinster, dec^d, James Banister of the city of Bristol, apothecary, Thomas Banister of London, pewterer, Edward Banister of London, wigmaker, Mary Obourn of the city of New Sarum, co. Wilts, widow (?), Elizabeth Banister of Tedrington in said co. Somerset, spinster, Richard Mattoeks of Tedrington aforesaid, and Jane his wife, which said James, Thomas, Edward, Mary, Elizabeth, and Jane are sons and daughters of Mary Banister, late of Shafton, dec^d, who was one of the sisters of the said Hester; and Francis Morgan of Chepstow, co. Monmouth, mercer, and Mary his wife, one

of the daughters of Elizabeth Brown, dec^d, who was another sister of the said Hester. Said Hester died intestate about Feb. 1716, leaving your orators and oratrixes, and also Hester, wife of John Whitehand of Shepton Mallet aforesaid, clk. (?), and daughter of said Elizabeth Brown, her nephews and nieces and next of kin. Said Whitehand and his wife took out adm'on to the said Hester Biss in the Consistory Court of Bath and Wells.

28 Nov. 1719. Bill by Elizabeth Bisce of Compton, par. Pilton, co. Somerset, widow. [Blank] Combs, gent., your oratrix's late father, dec^d, died, leaving a widow, your oratrix's mother, and your oratrix was then very young. George Rowcliffe, late of Henstridge in said co., gent., dec^d, intermarried with your oratrix's said mother. Your oratrix, widow of James Bisce, gent., and her settlements on her marriage with him were dated 7 Feb. 1710.

30 June 1722. Bill by Elizabeth Bisce of Pilton, co. Somerset, widow, one of the two daughters of Richard Combs of Stalbridge, co. Dorset, gent., by Mary his wife. Said Richard died about 32 years since, leaving a relict Mary, and your oratrix was then an infant of very tender years. Soon after the death of said Richard the said Mary intermarried with George Rowcliffe of Henstridge in said co. Somerset, yeoman. Your oratrix married James Bisce, dec^d, soon after she attained 21, and her marriage settlements were dated 7 Feb. 1710. Said James Bisce made a will.

22 Jan. 1722-3. Answer of James Medlycott, Esq., one of the defendants.

13 July 1725. Bill by Edward Bisce of Easton in Gordano *alias* St. George's, co. Somerset, clk., and Joanna his wife, and Ann Freeman, widow, relict of George Freeman, jun^r, late of the city of Bristol, gent., etc. With Answers.

3 Feb. 1725-6. Answer of William Earle, sergeant-at-law, one of the defendants to the Bill of Edward Bisce, clk., and Joanna his wife, and Ann Freeman, widow.

22 May 1732. Bill by George Bisce of [blank], co. Somerset, son and heir of William Bisce, and grandson and heir male of George Bisce, late of the city of Wells in said co., Esq., dec^d, by Eleanor his wife, and also heir male of Edward Bisce, who was eldest son and heir of said George, the grandfather. Said Edward died in or about 1696, s.p.m., leaving an only daughter, Amy, who married one Gabriel Hale of [blank], Esq. Your orator's father died in the lifetime of the said Edward. Your orator, who was an officer in the army abroad in 1696, obtained an ensign's commission during the reign of Queen Anne, and served abroad until sometime in or about 1713. Said Gabriel and Amy his wife now dead.

6 Jan. 1732-3. Plea of Samuel Catherall, clk., a lunatic, by Emma Catherall, spinster, committee of his person and estate, to part and answer to other part of said Bill. By lease and release, dated respectively 5 and 6 April 1715, between Gabriel Hale, late of Alderley, co. Gloucester, but then of Cottles, par. Atford, co. Wilts, Esq., and Amy his wife, only child and heiress of Edward Bisce, sometime of Deane, co. Somerset, and afterwards of Frampton Cotterell, co. Gloucester, Esq., etc., etc.

2 May 1747. Bill by John Bisce of Stogursey, co. Somerset, innholder. Richard Slucocke of Stogursey, clothier, died about 30 years since, and left issue by Jane his wife (amongst other children) Margery, who intermarried with your orator. Said Jane died about three years since, and said Margery died in her lifetime.

Your orator has now several children living by said Margery. Your orator's said wife lived to attain the age of 30 or thereabouts, and he took out adm'on to her.

23 Jan. 1754. Bill by Thomas Bisse of Christchurch in City of London, painter, and Sarah his wife, late Sarah Peek, widow of Robert Peck of Thames Street, London. Will of said Robert dated on or about 29 Oct. 1751.

17 May 1754. Answer of Joseph Gayland, defendant.

10 July 1754. Bill by John Bisse of the city of Bristol, merchant.

19 Dec. 1754. Ans. of James Bennett and Guildford Gibson, two of the defendants.

DEPOSITIONS.

16 Jan. 1634-5. Depositions taken at Wells, co. Somerset, in a cause between Philip Bysse, gent., and others, complainants, and Robert Rogers, defendant. Said Philip owner of the Parsonage of Chedder in said co.

28 Sept. 1654. Depositions taken at North Curry, co. Somerset, in a cause between James Bisse, complainant, and Mary Murlys, by her guardian George Drew, defendant.

11 Sept. 1727. Depositions in a cause between Edward Bisse and Joanna his wife, and Anne Freeman, complainants, and Anne Morgan, widow, defendant.

Miscellaneous Evidences.

CLOSE ROLLS.

Indenture dated 24 July 1633. James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., and Edward Bisce of Spartgrave in said co., Esq.

Recognisance of £100, dated 11 Nov. 1634, from Philip Bisce of Chedder, co. Somerset, gent., Richard Bond of Chancery Lane, co. Middx, gent., and John Snooke of St. Gregory's, London, citizen and merchant taylor, to John Marshe of Totteridge, co. Herts, yeoman, conditioned for the payment to said Marshe of £51 13s. 4d. on 12 April next.

Indenture, dated 20 Dec. 1637, between George Besse of London, gent., of the one part, and William Panther of the same, mercer, of the other part. Said George and Anne his wife, adm'r and adm't'x, with will annexed of Arthur Panther, late citizen and goldsmith of London, dec'd. Property in Essex.

Indenture, dated 10 Dec. 1638. James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., and Edward Bisce of Spargrove in said co., Esq.

Indenture, dated 24 March 1641-2, between Edward Bisce, the elder, of Spargrove, par. Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., and Edward Bisce, the younger, gent., his son and heir apparent, of the one part, and Henry Hayward of Evercreech in said co., yeoman, of the other part, for the grant to the said Henry, for £800, of an annuity of £40 out of property in Brewham. An annuity was granted by said Edward, the elder, and Edward, the younger, by indenture dated 3 April 1635, to Upton Bisce of Almesford in said co. Somerset, clk., and Rebecca his wife, he the said Upton being one other of the sons of the said Edward, the elder.

Indenture, dated 4 Feb. 1651-2, between James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., of the one part, and James Ashe of the Inner Temple, London, gent., and James Hayes, the younger, of Lincoln's Inn, gent., for the sale to the two latter of the manor of Spertgrove *alias* Spartgrove, and Westcombe, par. Batcombe, and messuages, lands, etc., excepting the messuage or farm, etc., now or late in the possession of George Bisce, Esq., and the lodge or park with the lands now or late in the possession of Mrs. Mary Bisce, widow, mother of the said James Bisce.

Indenture, dated 7 June 1653, between Philip Bisce, citizen and vintner of London, and Ursula his wife, of the one part, and Thomas Redshaw of Staple Inn, London, gent., of the other part, for the sale to the said Thomas, for £350, of land in North Allerton, purchased according to the will of Sir Hugh Losse, Kn^t.

Indenture, dated 22 Jan. 1663-4, between Edward Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., Thomas Mompesson of Corton, co. Wilts, Esq., Henry Mompesson, gent., brother of said Thomas, and Henry Davison of Batcombe, clothier, of the one part, and William Jndde of Brewton in said co. Somerset, gent., of the other part, for the grant of the manor and advowson of Batcombe to the said William for his life, etc., etc.

Indenture, dated 24 Oct. 1693, between Elizabeth Bisce of Hoxton, co. Midd., widow, relict of Edward Bisce, gent., dec'd, and daughter and heiress of Solomon Vandenbrooke, late of St. James', Duke's Place, London, weaver, dec'd, by Abigail his wife, and sister and heiress of Abigail Stint, widow, dec'd, who died s.p., another of the daughters of the said Solomon, of the one part, and John Hooke of Kingston-

upon-Thames, co. Surry, mercer, of the other part, for the sale to the said John of property in Kingston aforesaid.

Trust indenture, dated 9 April 1703, between James Bisse of London, M.D., and Ann his wife of 1st part. Thomas Cocket of Symond's Inn, London, gent., of 2nd part, and Richard Orme of Lincoln's Inn, co. Midd., gent., of 3rd part.

Indenture, dated 9 Aug., 1732, between Edward Bisce, the younger, of Trinity Coll., Oxford, gent., only son and heir-at-law of Joanna Bisce, late wife of Edward Bisce, sometime of Easton in Gordian, *alias* St. George's, but now of Portbury, co. Somerset, clk., whieh said Joanna and Ann Freeman of the city of Bristol, widow, were sisters and coheiresses-at-law of Thomas Morgan, late of Easton in Gordian aforesaid, Esq., dec^d, of the one part, and Ann Morgan of Easton in Gordian, *alias* St. George's aforesaid, widow, ex'tx of the will of said Thomas, of the other part. Said will dated on or about 6 Feb. 1722, and the testator devised to his nephew, the said Edward, and to his niece Arena Bisce, both of whom were then under 21. Said will proved in the P.C.C. Said Edward has now attained full age. Discharge for the consideration money, dated same day. Witnessed by Eirenia Bisce.

1726. Biss, Stephen, etc., and Periam, Edward. Essex. 13 George I.

1752. Bisce, Richard, and the Master of the Rolls. Recognisance.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Somerset Deeds, 1644—1688.

Indenture, dated 10 June 1649, between James Bisce of Batcombe, co. Somerset, Esq., of the one part, and William Yeatman of the Middle Temple, London, gent., of the other part, for the grant to the latter, in consideration of 10s., of property in Westcombe in said co. Somerset, and in Batcombe aforesaid.

Indenture, dated 1 Oct. 1649, between James Bisce of Batcombe, eo. Somerset, Esq., of first part, Richard Pieknall of London, gent., of second part, and Maurice Pearce of Brewton in said co. Somerset, gent., of third part, for the grant to the said Richard, in consideration of 20s., of the manor of Westcombe in said co. Somerset, etc.

Indenture, dated 1 May 1652, between George Bisce of Spargrave, co. Somerset, Esq., of the one part, and William Mervin of Founhill, eo. Wilts, clk., of the other part, for the grant to the latter, in consideration of £5, of the capital messuage or mansion house called "Spargrave House" in the parish of Batecombe in said co., etc.

Indenture, dated 20 May 1654, between William Blackborne of Batcombe, eo. Somerset, gent., of the one part, and Thomas Bisce of Elme in said co., gent., of the other part, for the sale to the latter, for £100, of property within the manor of Wells and in Portsham in said co.

Somerset Fines, 1644—1660.

Hilary 1650. Fine levied between Thomas Mompesson, gent., plaintiff, and George Bisce and Eleanor his wife, defendants, of property in North Brewham and South Brewham—consideration £300.

Easter 1652. Fine levied between James Ashe, Esq., and James Hayes, gent., plaintiffs, and James Bisce, Esq., defendant, of the manor of Westcombe and Spartgrove otherwise Spertgrove, with the appurtenances, and 20 messuages, 20 cottages, 40 gardens, etc., in Westcombe and Batecombe—consideration £760.

Easter 1652. Fine levied between Joseph Standerwick, gent., and Francis Hore, gent., plaintiff's, and Nathaniel Bisce and Wilmott his wife, and William Corrock and Mary his wife, defendants, of 1 messuage with the appurtenances in Taunton—consideration £60.

INQUISITIONS POST MORTEM.

Chancery Series.

17 July 1557. Inq. taken at Wells, co. Somerset, after the death of John Bisce, dec'd. Seised of the manor or lordship of Peglinch in said co., etc. Died 18 May last, and John Bisce, his son and next heir, is now aged 40 and more.

29 April 1566. Inq. taken at Taunton, co. Somerset, after the death of John Bysse, gent., dec'd. Son of John Bysse, dec'd, who married Juliana. He gave by writing, on 21 July 1559, an annuity to said Juliana for her life, and she is now living in the city of Bristol. He married Margaret, who now lives at Pensforde in said co. Somerset. Died 5 Nov. last, and John Bysse, his son and next heir, is now aged 30 and more.

22 Oct. 1569. Inq. taken at Wells, co. Somerset, after the death of James Bysse, late of Stokelayne in said co., Esq., dec'd. Had two brothers named John. Died 2 June last, and Philip Bysse, son of his brother John Bysse, late of Corscombe in said co., dec'd, is his cousin and next heir, and is now aged 30 and more.

7 May 1571. Inq. taken at Somerton, co. Somerset, after the death of John Bysse, late of Stooke St Michael's alias Stookelane in said co., Esq., dec'd. Seised of the manor of Baccombe in said co. Died 25 Feb. last, and James Bysse, his son and next heir, is now 25 and more.

6 Aug. 1593. Inq. taken at Frome, co. Somerset, after the death of John Bysse, sen'r, late of Peglenche in said co., gent., dec'd. Seised of the manor or lordship of Peglenche, etc., etc., to him and his heirs male, rem'r to Thomas Bysse and his heirs male, rem'r to William Bysse, rem'r to Richard Bysse, rem'r to Laurence Bysse, rem'r to the right heirs of John Bysse his (said John's) father. Died 23 May last, and John Bysse, now of Peglenche, his son and next heir, is aged 23 and more.

28 July 1601. Inq. taken at Bath, co. Somerset, after the death of John Bysse, gent., dec'd. He died 28 Nov. last, and John Bysse is his son and next heir, and was then aged 9 years and 11 months.

29 July 1607. Inq. taken at Wincanton, co. Somerset, after the death of James Bisce, Esq., dec'd. Manor of Batcombe, etc., Manor of Spartgrov, etc. Fine levied in Hilary Term, 37 Eliz., in which James Bisce and Eleanor his wife were defendants, to the use of the said James for life, rem'r to the said Eleanor for life, rem'r to James Bisce, jun'r, gent., son of the said James, rem'r to Edward Bisce, gent., another son of the same, rem'r to the right heirs of the said James, sen'r. Died at Batcombe 30 Dec. last, and James Bisce, jun'r, his son and next heir, was then aged 38 and more. Said Eleanor still living at Batcombe.

EXCHEQUER DEPOSITIONS BY COMMISSION.

5 April 1659. Depositions taken at Shepton Mallett, co. Somerset, in a cause between Oliver Calderood, clk., Rector of Shepton Mallett, pl., and John Whitborne, clk., Rector of Crocombe, defendant.

Deposⁿ of John Cooth of Shepton Mallett, clk., aged 65 and upwards, that on the death of Mr Bissee, the defendant Whitborne succeeded him in the Rectory of Croscombe, etc.

Deposⁿ of Dorothy Cox, wife of William Cox of Coxeley, par. St Cuthbert, Wells, yeoman, aged 40 and upwards, that her father, Mr James Bissee, was for divers years Parson of Crosecomb, etc.

Hilary, 22 and 23 Chas. 2. Depositions in a cause between Joseph Barker, clk., pl., and Edward Russe, defendant, concerning tithes at Almesford.

13 Sept. 1675. Depositions taken at Wells in a cause between Edward Bissee, Esq., pl., and George Watkins, one of the defendants, concerning tithes at St Cuthbert's, Wells.

Thursday, 17 Oct. 1678. Depositions taken at Oldbury-on-the-Hill, co. Gloucester, in a cause between John Bissee, clk., pl., and Humphrey Ford, etc., defendants.

Deposⁿ of John Dyer of Little Sodbury, co. Gloucester, yeoman, that complainant has been Rector of Oldbury-on-the-Hill for near 20 years last past, etc.

Deposⁿ of John Chappell of Oldbury-on-the-Hill, yeoman, that complainant has been Rector of that parish for about 18 years last past, etc.

Deposⁿ of Richard Stiffe of Didmarton, co. Gloucester, husbandman, that he knew Mr Thomas Bissee, the complainant's father, and also Mr William Noble, and doth well remember Mr William Leigh, respectively Rectors and Incumbents of Oldbury-on-the-Hill, and predecessors of the complainant, etc.

Hilary, 1 and 2 James 2. Depositions in a cause between Eleanor Bissee, widow, relict and adm^tx of George Bissee, pl., and James Bissee, son and heir of Edward Bissee, late of Batcomb, defendant.

3 Jan. 1686-7 (Monday). Depositions taken at Crosecombe, co. Somerset, in a cause between Strode Clarke, pl., and Thomas George and James Biss, defendants, concerning property belonging to plaintiff in Croscombe, etc. Peter Clarke and Strode Clarke, sons of complainant. Defendant George is uncle to defendant James.

10 Oct. 1712. Depositions taken at Wraxall, co. Somerset, in a cause between Edward Bissee, clk., etc., plaintiffs, and George Collett, defendant.

Deposⁿ of John Covant of Portbury, in said co., gent., aged about 64. Said cause about tithes at Portbury.

9 Jan. 1721-2. Depositions taken at Wraxall, co. Somerset, in a cause between Edward Bissee, clk., pl., and Richard Horrood, butcher, defendant, concerning tithes at St George's *alias* Easton in Gordano in said co.

EXCHEQUER BILLS AND ANSWERS.

Easter, 30 Chas. 2. Bill by John Bissee, clk., who has been Rector of Oldbury-on-the-Hill, co. Gloucester, for about 10 years last past, against Humphrey Ford, Robert Ford his son, and Robert Ford his brother, and William Chappell, for recovery of tythes.

Easter, 1 James 2. Bill by Eleanor Biss, widow, relict and adm^tx of George Biss, late of Wells, co. Somerset, Esq., dec^d. Said George about 20 years ago lent money to Edward Biss, late of Batcombe in said co., Esq. About 10 years ago the said Edward gave a bond for repayment of the money and died soon afterwards, leaving James Biss, his son and heir, who is now about 24 years old or upwards.

20 June 1685. Answer of Thomas Holt, D.D., one of the defendants. Said Edward laid sick about August 1669, this defendant being then Parson of Batcombe.

17 Oct. 1685. Answer of James Bisce, Esq., one of the defendants.

FIRST FRUITS COMPOSITION BOOKS.

24 Sept. 1583. James Bysse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Mells, co. Somerset. Bondsmen, Gabriel Newman of St Peter's-le-Cheap, London, joiner, and Andrew Fursland of Allhallows Barking, London, haberdasher.

24 Sept. 1583. James Bysse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Prebend of Warmyster *alias* Luxfield in Wells Cathedral. Bondsmen, Gabriel Newman of St Peter's-le-Cheap, London, joiner, and Gayus Newman of St Matthew's, Friday Street, London, goldsmith.

25 Nov. 1584. Philip Bysse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Archdeaconry of Taunton. Bondsmen, the said Philip, Gabriel Newman of St Peter's-le-Cheap, London, joiner, and Bartholomew Haggat of the city of Wells, co. Somerset, gent.

30 Sept. 1586. James Bysse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Vicarage of Lydiard Episcopi, co. Somerset. Bondsmen, Gabriel Newman of St Peter's-le-Cheap, London, joiner, and Gayus Newman of St Matthew's, Friday Street, London, goldsmith.

14 Nov. 1586. Philip Bysse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Monckton, co. Somerset. Bondsmen, Stephen Staple of Christchurch, London, and Robert Whitchorne, of the city of Wells in said co. Somerset, gent.

3 Feb. 1596-7. Philip Bysse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Elyngdon, co. Wilts. Bondsmen, the said Philip, David Serney of the city of Wells, co. Somerset, and Nicholas Wykes of the said city, gent.

12 June 1597. James Bisce, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Blagdon, co. Somerset. Bondsmen, Anthony Godwin of Wokey in said co., and Nicholas Weekes of the city of Wells in same co., gent.

15 May 1599. James Bisce, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Prebend of Compton Episcopi in Wells Cathedral. Bondsmen, Nicholas Weekes of the city of Wells, and Anthony Godwin of the same, gent.

20 May 1619. Walter Biss, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Bushupstrowe, co. Wilts. Bondsmen, Edward Temple of St Bartholomew's the Great, London, gent., and Henry Helmes of St Bridget's, Fleet Street, London, skinner.

15 May 1623. Thomas Bisce, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Elingdon, co. Wilts. Bondsmen, Jerome Ferrar of St Sepulchre's, London, gent., and Samuel Nayle of Weston-super-Mare, co. Somerset, yeoman.

22 May 1634. William Bisce, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of East Quantoxhead, co. Somerset. Bondsmen, James Oliver of St Martin's in the Fields, co. Middlesex, tailor, and Charles Bisce of Crocombe in said co. Somerset, gent.

6 Oct. 1637. Philip Bisce componnds for the first fruits of the Vicarage of Poundestoke, co. Cornwall. Bondsmen, Christopher Dodington of Dodington, co. Somerset, Esq., and Walter Haszell of the same, gent.

17 Dec. 1637. William Bisco (mistake for Bisce), clk., componnds for the first

fruits of the Prebend of Henstridge in Wells Cathedral and Rectory (Vicarage) of Henstridge. Bondsmen, James Clutterbucke of the city of Wells, gent., and Stephen Ford of St Clement Danes, co. Middx, gent.

20 May 1642. Thomas Bisse, clk., compounds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Oldbury, co. Gloucester. Bondsmen, Nicholas Webbe of Marshfield in said co., and Henry Kelwaye of St Clement Danes, co. Middx, gent.

13 March 1712-13. Thomas Biss, D.D., compounds for the first fruits of the Vicarage of South Stoneham, co. Hants. Bondsmen, the said Thomas, and Israel Harrison of the Liberty of the Rolls, co. Middx, stationer.

8 Jan. 1713-14. Thomas Biss, D.D., compounds for the first fruits of the Prebend of Colwall in Hereford Cathedral. Same bondsmen as in preceding entry.

8 Jan. 1713-14. Thomas Biss, D.D., componnds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Cradley, co. Hereford. Same bondsmen again.

8 Jan. 1713-14. Thomas Biss, D.D., componuds for the first fruits of Overhall Portion in Ledbnry, co. Hereford. Same bondsmen.

27 Nov. 1716. Thomas Bisce, D.D., componuds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Weston under Pynyard, co. Hereford. Bond given by said Thomas, and Joyce Bisce of St Andrew's Holborn, co. Middx, spinster.

30 Sept. 1710. Thomas Bisce, clk., componuds for the first fruits of the Rectory of Hinton-on-the-Green, co. Gloucester. Boudsmen, John Wills of St Benet's, Paul's Wharf, London, clk., and Edward Pearson of St John's the Evangelist, Westminster, gent.

ROYALIST COMPOSITION PAPERS.

19 March 1646. George Bisce of Spargraue, co. Somerset, gent. His father died in 1644. He is seised of property in Batecombe and Brewham in said co., out of which an annuity is payable to Upton Bisce and Rebecca his wife, who are both living. His grandfather made a will and died about a year and a half ago, leaving an annuity to the said Upton's ten children for ten years.

Petition dated 16 March 1646. In 1643, being then about 18, he was compelled by his said father, who was a Colonel, to take up arms against the Parliament.

Particnlar of his estate not dated. An annuity of £10 out of Spargrove and Batecombe property was granted by his grandfather for 99 years, if Anne his (said grandfather's) wife, and Anne and Elizabeth, his two daughters, should live so long. Said Elizabeth is still living, and is wife of William Hall.

ADMISSIONS TO FREEDOM OF LONDON.

April 1697. Edward Biss, the reputed son of Edward Biss, late citizen and draper of London, dec^d, who was admitted 30 Aug. 1654. Patrimony.

Aug. 1698. John Bisce, the apprentice of George Hatton, with whom he served part of his time, afterwards turned over to Mr Edward Ballance, sen^r, with whom he served another part, and afterwards turned over to Venteras Mundey, with whom he served the remainder of his time. Servitude. [Father's name not obtainable as the apprenticeship indenture is missing.]

Oct. 1718. Samuel Biss, son of Samuel Biss of Froom, co. Somerset, shoemaker, apprenticed (without any consideration paid) to William Broxell, citizen and baker of London, for 7 years, on 5 Feb. 1710-11. Servitude.

RECORDS OF DRAPERS' COMPANY, LONDON.

Edward Bisce, son of Upton Bisce of Almesford, co. Somerset, was apprenticed to John Taylor, citizen and draper, on 7 Aug. 1646, and was admitted to the freedom of the Company on 30 Aug. 1654.

RECORDS OF STATIONERS' COMPANY, LONDON.

4 June 1627. John Bisce, son of James Bisce of Crocombe, co. Somerset, clerk, puts himself apprentice to Nathaniel Butter, citizen and stationer of London, for nine years from this date. [He was admitted to the freedom of the Company on 5 June 1635. See the printed records of the Company.]

ADMISSIONS AT MIDDLE TEMPLE, LONDON.

10 March 1608. M^r Edward Bisce, son and heir-apparent of Edward Bisce of Spartgrove, co. Somerset, gentleman, specially admitted.

12 Oct. 1620. M^r Philip Bisce, third son of Edward Bisce of Spartgrove, co. Somerset, Esq., specially admitted.

ADMISSION AT INNER TEMPLE, LONDON.

Nov. 1641. George Bisce, son of Edward of Spargrove, co. Somerset.

ADMISSION AT LINCOLN'S INN, LONDON.

6 Oct. 1624. John Bysse, son and heir of Christopher Bysse of Dublin, Ireland, Esq.

ADMISSION AT GRAY'S INN, LONDON.

17 Jan. 1787. Robert Biss, only son of John Biss of Deptford, Bishop Wearmouth [co. Durham], gent.

BURGESS ROLLS OF CITY OF BRISTOL.

1579. Richard Bysse, yeoman, admitted to the freedom of the city, having married Alice Hort, dau. of John Hort, draper and burgess.

1665. William Bisce, carpenter, admitted by apprenticeship Oct. 17.

1673. Philip Biss, barber chirurgeon, who was apprenticed to Roger King, admitted Feb. 24.

1674. John Bisce, silk weaver, admitted by apprenticeship Dec. 2.

1675. John Bisce, joiner, who was apprenticed to Robert Bisce, admitted Sept. 20.

1675. William Bisce, vintner, admitted by apprenticeship Sept. 24.

1678. Thomas Bisce, tailor, admitted by apprenticeship Dec. 18.

1682. James Bisce, joiner, admitted by apprenticeship Aug. 12.

1684. George Biss, brewer, admitted by apprenticeship Oct. 17.

1686. James Biss, cooper, admitted by apprenticeship March 11.

1687. Charles Biss, cooper, admitted by apprenticeship May 2.

1697. John Biss, cooper, admitted by apprenticeship Dec. 20.

1700. William Biss, joiner, who was apprenticed to John Biss, admitted Nov. 27.

1705. Robert Biss, joiner, who was apprenticed to John Biss, admitted Oct. 16.

1708. James Bisce, joiner, admitted by apprenticeship March 5.

1712. Thomas Bisce, yeoman, son of Thomas Bisce, tailor, admitted Oct. 20.

1713. Nathaniel Biss, cordwainer, admitted, having married Mary, widow of Philip Knell, farrier.

BRISTOL APPRENTICE ROLLS.

19 May 1627. Richard Morrell, son of Thomas Morrell of Minety, co. Wilts, husbandman, apprenticed to John Bisce of Bristol, wire drawer, and Dorothy his wife.

27 Oct. 1628. James Bisce, son of John Bisce, late of Bristol, wiredrawer, dec^d, apprenticed to his mother Dorothy.

1 April 1630. Bartholomew Bisce *alias* Simons, son of Elizabeth Simons of Keinsham, co. Somerset, spinster, apprenticed to Thomes Kent (?), glover.

13 Dec. 1632. Thomas Bisce, son of Thomas Bisce, late of Pensford, co. Somerset, tanner, apprenticed to John Hill of city of Bristol, baker, and Bridget his wife.

26 Aug. 1634. Miles Mullins, son of William Mullins of city of Bristol, shewman, apprenticed to Dorothy Bisce, widow, late wife of John Bisce, late of said city, wiredrawer, dec^d.

26 Aug. 1634. Ralph Bisce, son of John Bisce, late of city of Bristol, wiredrawer, dec^d, apprenticed to Dorothy Bisce, widow.

22 Jan. 1639-40. William Bisce, son of George Bisce of city of Bristol, gent., apprenticed to Fabian Hill, weaver (?), and Prudence his wife.

15 May 1641. Philip Bisce, son of Upton Bisce of Almsford, co. Somerset, clerk, apprenticed to John Coxe of city of Bristol, mercer, and Johan his wife.

31 July 1646. James Bisce, son of George Bisce, late of city of Bristol, gent., dec^d, apprenticed to John Abraham of said city, milliner, and Avice his wife.

9 Sept. 1647. Thomas Hart, son of Thomas Hart, late of Fittleton, co. Wilts, apprenticed to William Bisce of city of Bristol, mercer, and Ann his wife.

19 May 1648. James Bisce, son of Upton Bisce of Almsford, co. Somerset, clerk, apprenticed to James Deane of city of Bristol, grocer, and Ann his wife.

29 July 1650. Roger King, son of Thomas King, late of Abergavenny, co. Monmouth, barber surgeon, dec^d, apprenticed to Margaret King, late wife of William King of Bristol, barber surgeon, dec^d.

17 March 1652. Thomas Woodward, son of Thomas Woodward of Bristol, ironmonger, apprenticed to Margaret King, widow of William King of Bristol, barber surgeon.

24 Sept. 1655. Thomas Bisce, son of Thomas Bisce of Westbury, co. Wilts, weaver, dec^d, apprenticed to Elizabeth Cary of Bristol, widow, late wife of John Cary.

24 Aug. 1668. John Bisce, son of James Bisce of Charlton, co. Somerset, chandler, apprenticed to Robert Bisce, joiner, and [blank] his wife, for seven years.

15 April 1672. Edward Bisce, son of Edward Bisce of B[?]sham (Biddesham), co. Somerset, clerk, apprenticed to James Cieell, shoemaker, and Jane his wife.

25 April 1672. Thomas Larking, son of George Larking of Bristol, linendraper, apprenticed to Roger King, barber surgeon, and Mary his wife.

13 July 1674. Roger King, son of Roger King of the city of Bristol, barber surgeon, apprenticed to his said father and Mary his mother for seven years.

ADMISSIONS AT BALLIOL COLLEGE, OXFORD.

9 May 1715. Johannes Biss filius natu secundus Jacobi Biss Generosi de Compton in Agro Somersettensi admissus est Communarius.

14 Nov. 1724. Thomas Bisce fil. natu 2^{dus} Johannis Bisce in parochiâ vulgo dictâ Temple Parish in Civitate Bristol. in agro Somersett. admissus est communarius.

ADMISSION AT BRASENOSE COLLEGE, OXFORD.

James Byssc, a native of Wiltshire, admitted as a battelarius 21 Sept. 1677.

REGISTER OF MAGDALEN COLLEGE, OXFORD.

James Bisce, matriculated 8 Oct. 1571, pleb., fil., co. Somerset, aged 17, res. 1575.

Samuel Bisce, matriculated 21 June 1583, gen., fil., co. Somerset, aged 16, res. 1594. B.A. 11 Feb. 1590-1, M.A. 4 July 1594.

OXFORD MATRICULATIONS.

1626. Jul. 14. Collegium Corporis Christi. Guliel. Bisce Somersett. fil. Jacobi Bisce de Crosecombe in Com. præd. Saeerdot. an. nat. 16.

1677. Oct. 18. Coll. Aen. Nas. Jac. Bisce 18, [fil.] Jac. B. P'p.

1698. Ter^o Paschæ. Anla St^t Edd^d. Edv. Bisce 16, Phil. B. Civ. Brist. Gen. F.

1772. Jul. 1^o. Coll. Wadh. Thomas Bisce 18, Thomæ de Civ. Lond. Gen. Fil.

1810. Dec^ris 11. Coll. Vigorn. Henrieus Biss 18, Jacobi de Civit. Hereford. Gen. Fil.

ADMISSIONS AT MERCHANT TAYLORS' SCHOOL, LONDON.

11 Sept. 1683. James Bisce, born Aug. 1669 (1668 ?). Footnote: James Bisce, son of Edward of Westham, co. Essex, gent., admitted of Wadham Coll., Oxford, 1687. B.A. 1693, M.A. 1697, M.D. 1701. (B.A. 1691, M.A. 1693, M.B. 1697.)

12 Sept. 1690. Edward Biss, born 9 May 1678.

RECORDS OF VINTNERS' COMPANY, LONDON.

3 Dee. 1639. Philip Bisce apprenticed to Thomas Dudley. [Father's name not given.]

1 Dec. 1646. Philip Bisce, apprentice of Thomas Dudley, admitted to the freedom of the Company.

Parish Registers.

MILTON-CLEVEDON, SOMERSET.

- 1603 Joan Bisce wife of W^m Bisce, bur. June 2.
 1617 Edw. son of Edw. Bisce & Eliz. Hawker, mar. Nov. 11.
 1619 Ellinor d. of Edw. Bisce, bap. May 6.
 1620 Eliz. d. of Edw. Bisce, bap. April 26.
 1621 Rebeeca d. of Edw. Bisce, bap. Sept. 10.
 1623 Margaret wief of W^m Bisce, bur. Nov. 23.
 1626 Mary d. of Edw. Bisce, gent., bap. Feb. 15.
 1629 Eliz. Bisce wief of Edw. Bisce, Senior, Esquire, of Spargrove, bur. Jan. 7.

MAPERTON, SOMERSET.

Marriages.

- 1582 Roger Bisce & Agnes Dabbin, April 20.
 1637 Richard Pulman & Diana Bisce, Nov. 30.
 1644 Edmund Byss & Raehel Saunders, June 19.
 1655 Stephen Pittman & Edith Bisce, June 18.

Baptisms.

- 1581 John son of Roger Bisce, July 15.
 1583 Edmund son of same, Dee. 2.
 1586 Nieholas son of same, April 13.
 1589 Graee dau. of same, Feb. 20.
 1591 Joan dau. of same, Feb. 26.
 1619 John son of Edm^d Bisce, Oct. 24.
 . . . Diana dau. of Andrew Bisce, Jan. 3.
 1622 Roger son of Edmund Bisce, Feb. 4.
 1626 Andrew son of same, Oct. 14.

Burials.

- 1610 Roger Bisce, Sept. 15.
 1617 Agnes Bisce, Dee. 25.
 1618 Joan Bisce, July 28.
 1637 Joan wife of Edm^d Bisce, Oct. 7.
 . . . Elizabeth wife of same, Nov. 13.
 1652 Andrew Bisce, June 2.
 1665 Edmund Bisce, May 29.

MARTOCK, SOMERSET.

- 1702 M^r George Biss, gent., bur. Jan. 18.

SHERBORNE, DORSET.

- 1679 Strood Bisce, gent., bur. Oct. 28.

WRINGTON, SOMERSET.

- 1599 Mary dau. of John Smythes, bapt. Oct. 21.

OKEFORD-FITZPAINE, DORSET.

1678 James Bisce of Batcombe, Somerset, gent., & Grace Strangways of Marnhull, Dorset, marr.

BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET.

1576-7 John Bysse & Elizabeth Cridberd, marr. Jan. 31.

BISHOP'S HULL, SOMERSET.

1641-2 James Bisce [or Brise], gent., & Ann Hill, marr. Feb. 10.

BANWELL, SOMERSET.

1603 Thomas Bisce & Mary Knight, marr. Sept. 12.

CHIPPEHAM, WILTS.

1593 Richard son of Richard Bisce, bapt.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.

Mary the daughter of Mr Edward Bisce and Elizabeth his wife was baptized the 4th day of April 1667.

James ye son of Mr Edward Bisce by Elizabeth his wife was baptized ye 11 day of August 1668.

Edward ye son of Mr Edward Bisce by Elizabeth his wife was baptized ye 25th January 1669.

OLDBURY-ON-THE-HILL, GLOUCESTER.

Marriage.

John Bisce, Rector, & Sarah Hancock were married July ye 15th, 1661.

Baptisms.

William Biss the son of Thomas Bisce, Clearke, & Susanna his wife was baptized on twelue-day 1643.

Phil'p Bisce the son of Thomas Bisce, Clearke, & Susanna his wife was baptized on Candlemas Day 1645.

Edward Biss the son of Thomas Bisce, Clearke, & Susanna his wife was baptized June 14th, Anno Dom. 1649.

Susanna Biss the daughter of Thomas Bisce and Susanna his wife was baptized Feb. 5th, 1651.

James Bisce the son of Thomas Bisce and Susanna his wife was baptized June 8th, Anno Dom. 1654.

Mary the daughter of John Bisce, Rector, and Joyce his wife was baptized March ye 2nd, 1663.

Phillip ye sonne of John Bisce, Clarke, and Joyce his wife was baptized May ye 28th, 1666.

The said philip Bisce was consecrated to Bpp. of St. David's, A.D. 1710.

Joyce the daughter of John Bisce, Rector, and Joyce his wife was baptized July 14, 1668.

John ye sonne of John Bisce, Rector, and Joyce his wife was baptized December ye 29th, 1670.

Susannah daughter of John Bisce, Rector, and Joyce his wife was baptized April ye 3, 1673.

Thomas ye sonne of John Bisce, Clerke, and Joyce his wife was baptized April 6th, 1675.

Dorothy the daughter of John Bisce, Rector, & Joyce his wife was baptized Oct.
y^e 14th, buried Oct. y^e 16th [1678].

Burials.

Thomas Bisce, M^r of Arts, Rector of this parish, was buried September y^e 20 [1656].
Sarah y^e wife of John Bisce, Rector, was buried April y^e 23rd, 1662.

John Bisce, Clarke, Rector of this Parish, was buried the nineteenth day of July,
1686.

On the inside of the cover of Register. Rectors of the Parish. Thomas Bisce,
M.A., 1640 [1641]; John Bisce, M.A., 1659, Coll. Wadham. [Also stated in
the Register that he was inducted 1 Feb. 1659.]

VICAR-GENERAL'S MARRIAGE LICENCES.

24 May, 1669. Robert Bisce of Froome Sellwood, co. Somerset, gent., widower,
aged about 35, & Susannah Wadman of Brooke, par. Westbury, co. Wilts, spinster,
aged about 22, having the consent of her father, John Wadman, Esq. To marry
at North Bradley or Winfeild, co. Wilts, or at Road, co. Somerset.

18 Dec. 1697. Stephen Bisce of S^t Margaret's Lothbury, London, gent.,
bachelor, aged 25, & Elizabeth Goldsmith of the same, spinster, aged 18, having
the consent of her father, Thomas Goldsmith. To marry in the church of the
said parish.

16 July, 1698. George Bisce of Crewkerne, co. Somerset, gent., bachelor, aged
upwards of 23, & Elizabeth Viner of Salisbury, co. Wilts, spinster, aged 23 &
upwards. To marry at Bemerton in said co. Wilts.

26 March, 1703. William Biss of Holy Trinity in the Minories, co. Middlesex,
bachelor, aged 24 & upwards, & Margaret Downes of Chyswick in the said co.,
spinster, aged 25. To marry at New Briantford in the same co.

25 Sept. 1731. John Biss of Christchurch, co. Surry, bachelor, aged upwards of
28, & Elizabeth Finimore of the same, spinster, aged upwards of 21. To marry at
S^t Mary's Wolnworth, London.

23 Dec. 1743. Joseph Biss of S^t George's, Hanover Square, co. Middx,
bachelor, aged 24, & Dorothy Glover of the same, spinster, aged 25. To marry
at S^t Sepulchre's, London.

BISHOP OF LONDON'S MARRIAGE LICENCE.

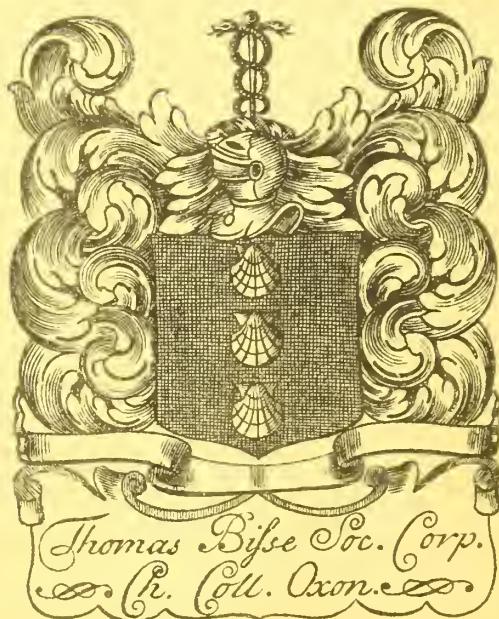
12 Dec. 1743. Thomas Bisce of S^t Bartholomew's the Great, London, bachelor,
aged upwards of 30, & Susannah Norman of the same, spinster, aged upwards of
30. To marry at S^t James', Clerkenwell, co. Middx.

BEDWYN MAGNA, WILTS.

1656. Frances Bisce, the daughter of Thomas Bisce, Minister, and his wife, was
born the 2th of May.



D^r. Philip Bisse Lord
Bishop of S^t. Davids



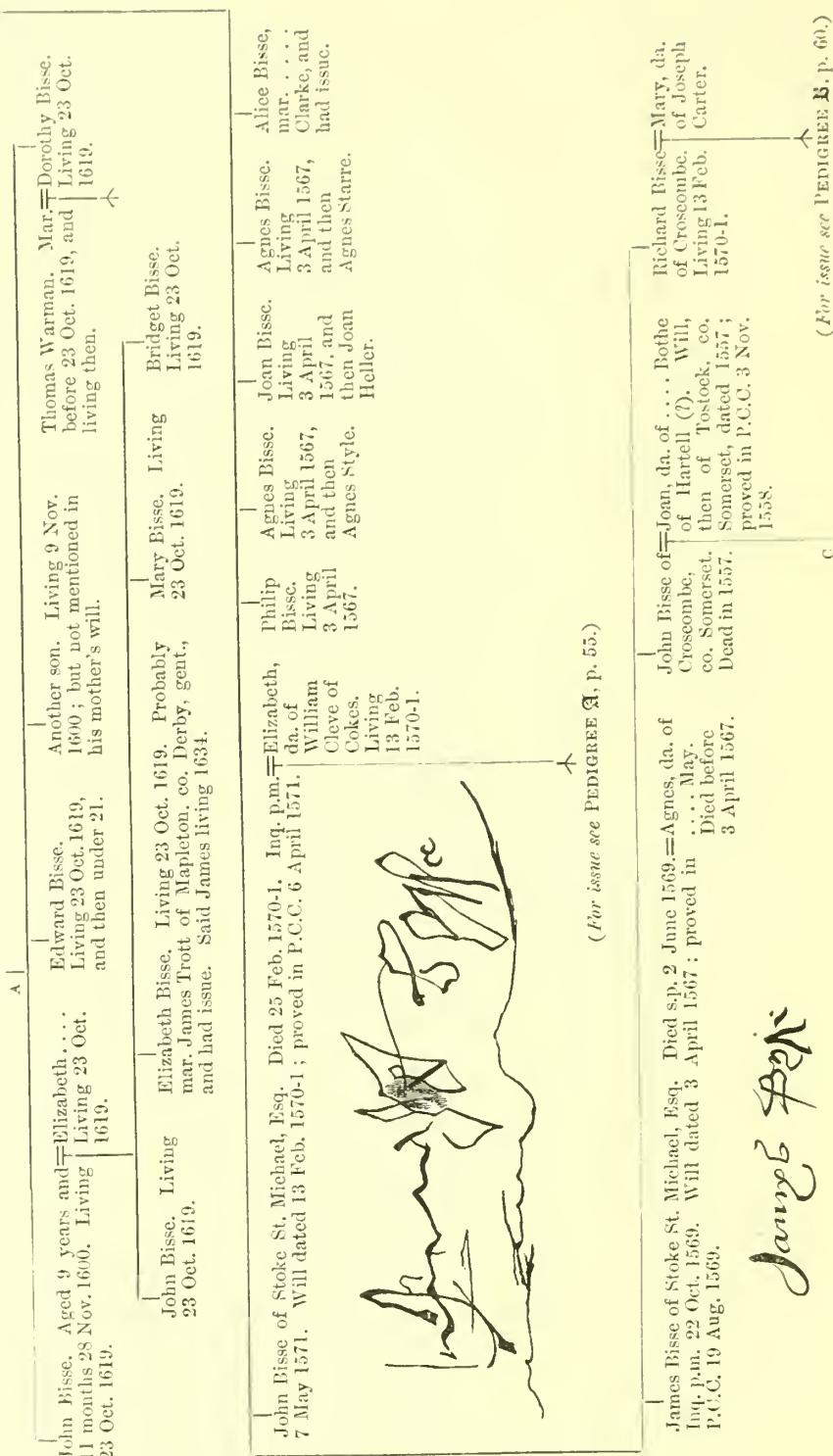
Thomas Bisse Soc. Corp.
Ch. Coll. Oxon.

Prodigy of Bisce.

Philip Bisce of Stoke St. Michael co. Somerset. Bur. in the church there. — Joan . . . Living 18 Jan. 1519.
Will dated 18 Jan. 1519 ; pr. in P.C.C. 14 May 1520.

John Bisce, — Juliana . . . gent. Died Living at 18 May Bristol 29	Robert Bisce. (Harl. MSS. 1559.) Not mentioned in his father's will. Occurs as L.L.D. and Principal of Henxsey Hall in 1514. Dr. of Civil Law in the Court of Rome. Appointed Vicar-General to Bishop of Bath and Wells 24 June 1521. Instituted to Rectory of Bacombe, co. Somerset, 5 Sept. 1524. Held the Prebend of Ashill in Wells Cathedral in 1537. Died about Dec. 1546.
1557. Inq. p.m. April 1566. p.m. 17 July 1557.	

John Bisce of Pensford, co. Somerset, gent. — Margaret . . . Aged 40 and more 17 July 1557. Died 5 Nov. Living at Pens- ford 29 April 1566. Will dated 20 Oct. 1565 ; codicil 4 Nov. 1565 ; adm'd on 1566. with same in P.C.C. 19 Oct. 1566.	1. John Bisce of Pensford, — . . . da. of . . . Will dated 2 April 1585 ; Putting, Died before 2 April 1585. proved in P.C.C. 30 April 1585.	2. Lawrence Bisce of Shaftesbury, — Margery . . . co. Dorset. Will dated 19 May 1579 ; proved in P.C.C. 29 Jan. 1579-80.	3. Robert Bisce. Living 25 Jan. 1588-9.	4. Richard Bisce. Living 25 Jan. 1588-9.
John Bisce of Peglinch, — . . . par. Wellow, co. Somerset, gent. Aged 30 and more 29 April 1566. Died 23 May 1593. Inq. p.m. 6 Aug. 1593. Will dated 21 May 1593 ; proved in P.C.C. 27 Nov. 1593.	William Bisce. da. of John Bristol merchant. da. of Henry Gil-Hart of Bristol, merchant. Admitted to the heraldry by Margaret Hart of Bristol, draper. A married woman in 1579. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1579. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1591 ; proved in P.C.C. 10 Dec. 1591.	1st w., Alice, — Richard Bisce of — 2nd w., Katherine, da. of John Bristol merchant. da. of Henry Gil-Hart of Bristol, draper. A married woman in 1579. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1591 ; proved in P.C.C. 10 Dec. 1591.	Lawrence Bisce. Under 21 before 20 Oct. 1565. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1591. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1591 ; proved in P.C.C. 10 Dec. 1591.	Philip Bisce. Under 21 before 20 Oct. 1565. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1591. Will of . . . Bentall, dated 28 Nov. 1591 ; proved in P.C.C. 10 Dec. 1591.
more on 6 Aug. 1593. Died 28 Nov. 1600. Inq. p.m. 28 July 1601. Will dated 9 Nov. 1600 ; adm'd on with same in P.C.C. 7 March 1600-1.	John Bisce. Under 21 on 28 Nov. 1601. Will, then of Pensford, dated 23 Oct. 1619 ; proved in P.C.C. 27 March 1620.	John Bisce. Under 21 on 28 Nov. 1601. Will, then of Pensford, dated 23 Oct. 1619 ; proved in P.C.C. 27 March 1620.	John Bisce. Under 21 on 28 Nov. 1601. Will, then of Pensford, dated 23 Oct. 1619 ; proved in P.C.C. 27 March 1620.	Philip Bisce. Living 20 Oct. Oct. 1565.
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Philip Bisse of Croscombe = Christian, da. of
Aged 30 and more 22 Oct. Coeks.
1563. Living when his
brother James made his
will.

Thomas Bissey = . . . da.
of Crocombe, of . . .
clother. Good-
Living, 27
June 1539.

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<p>James Bisse of Croscombe, gent.—Christian, da. of . . . Died 18 Nov. 1606, aged 72. M. I. Ashe, Will dated 30 Jan. 1608; proved at Wells 10 Aug. 1609. dated; proved in P.C.C. 14 Feb. 1606-7.</p>	<p>John Bisse. Living when his brother James made his will.</p>	<p>John Bisse. Probably da. of this John, and living 1557.</p>	<p>Joan Bisse. Probably da. of this John, and living 1557.</p>
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<p>John Bisse, (Harr. MSS. 1559.)</p> <p>John Bisse, (Harr. MSS. 1559.)</p>	<p>James Bisse, instituted to the Rectory of Crosscombe 2 Oct. 1624. His son-in-law and successor instituted to same living 8 Feb. 1642- dated 22 May 1625, was proved in P.C.C. 20 June 1625. Living 23 Aug. 1625.</p> <p>Dorothy, 3rd da. of William Filliol of Knightstreet, par. Marshall, co. Dorset, and sister of John Filliol of Spar-grove, par. Batecombe, gent. (whose will, dated 15 Oct. 1636, was proved in P.C.C., 2 Feb. 1636-7). Living 12 July 1638.</p>
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John Bisse, citizen and stationer, of London. Apprenticed 4 June 1627. Admitted to the freedom of his Company 5 June 1635. Died 6 July 1653. Will dated 1 June 1653; proved 13 Aug. 1653.

William Bisse, matriculated at ~~Elizabeth~~
Oxford from C.C. Coll. 14 July
1626, then aged 16. Of Brase-
well, Coll. 20 Aug. 1632. In-
stituted to Rectory of East
Livingston 1 June 1653.

John Whitbourne, Par B.A. Instituted to the Rectory of Living- croseome 8 Feb. 1642. Samuel Launfire instituted to the same 22 Nov. 1664.	William Cox Dorothy Bisse. of Coxeley, Living 5 April 1659, and then aged 40 and upwards. yeoman. Living 5 April 1659.
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John Biffa

... Plymton. [—] Anne
[Probably Bissex.
Robert Plym-
ton who was 1 Jun
living in 1653.
Easter Term
1658.]

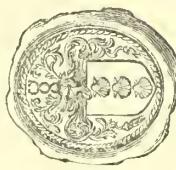
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John Serry of Stoke St. Michael. Will dated 2 Nov. 1607; ~~—~~ Mary Bissee. Mar. before 30 Jan. 1608, and living then.

B. Serry

Robert Bissee of Frome Selwood, eo, Somerset, 24 May 1669, then aged about 35 and a widower. = 2nd wife, Susanna, da. of Afterwards of Tinehead, par. Edington, co. Wilts, gent. Will dated 14 Sept. 1683; proved in P.C.C. John Wadman of Brooke, par. Westbury, co. Wilts, Esq. Mar. lic. (Vic. Gen.) 24 May 1669, then aged about 22. Living 14 Sept. 1683.



Do. by Robert Bissee

Ann Bissee. Mar. before 30 Jan. 1608, and living then.

Sarah Bissee. ~~—~~ Barket. ~~—~~ Sarah Bissee. Mar. before 30 Jan. 1608, and living then.

Abigail Bissee. Unmar. 8 Oct. 1641. Probably after wards mar. to Thomas George, who was living 3 Jan. 1686-7.

Elizabeth Bissee. William Bissee. Living 8 Oct. 1641. Prob ably after wards mar. to Thomas George, who was living 3 Jan. 1686-7.

Peter Davis of Wells, co. Somerset, BENCHER OF LINCOLN'S INN ~~—~~ Susanna Bissee. Under 21 Sept. 1683. M.L. in Wells on 14 Sept. 1683. Unmar. 2 July 1691. Died 1741.

Sarah Bissee. Under 21 on 14 Sept. 1683. Living unmar. 2 July 1691.

Robert Bissee. Living 14 Sept. 1683. Unmar. 2 July 1691. Died 1741.

James Bissee of Shepton Mallett. = 2nd wife, Margaret Will dated 28 June 1689; proved Living 3 March 1704. in P.C.C. 4 Sept. 1689.

Hester Bissee of Shepton Mallett. Died unmar. and intestate about Feb. 1716. Adm' on granted in Consistory Court of Wells to John Whiteland of Shepton Mallett, clerk, and Hester his wife, da. of her sister Elizabeth Browne.

Jane Bissee of West Compton, ~~—~~ Katherine, sister of John Rogers. Mar. before 28 June 1689, and living then. Died before 8 May 1718.

Elizabeth Bissee. ~~—~~ Banister ~~—~~ Mary Bissee. ~~—~~ Shalsbury, Mar. before 28 June 1689, and living then. Died before 8 May 1718.

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James Bisse of West—Elizabeth, one of the two daughters of Richard Combs Compson, gent. Mar. 1715 ; dau's of Stalbridge, co. Dorset, settlement dated 7 Feb. 1710. Died 15 gent. (who died about 1690) by Mary his wife, Jan. 1714, aged 29. M.I. Mar. soon after she attained 21. Living 30 June in Pitton Chancel. leaving a will. M.I. was instituted on his death 13 July 1717.

John Bisse, 2nd son. Admitted Margaret Towgood at Balliol College, Oxford, 9 May 1715 ; B.A. 6 Feb. 1718 ; M.A. 13 Nov. 1721. Lived sometime at West Compton. Instituted to the Rectory of Weston-super-Mare, co. Somerset, 16 Dec. 1723, to which living Thomas Sparry was instituted on his death 13 July 1747.

John Bisse, 2nd son. Admitted Margaret Towgood at Balliol College, Oxford, 9 May 1715 ; B.A. 6 Feb. 1718 ; M.A. 13 Nov. 1721. Lived sometime at West Compton. Instituted to the Rectory of Weston-super-Mare, co. Somerset, 16 Dec. 1723, to which living Thomas Sparry was instituted on his death 13 July 1747.

James Bisse. Died an infant. M.I. in Pitton Chancel.

Anne Bisse. Mar. Janeclot Cooper of Bristol, merchant, and had issue. See Burke's 'Landed Gentry,' 1853.

John Connell, afterwards O'Connell, Esq., sometime of — Katherine Bisse. Bristol, afterwards of London, and latterly of Brussels, son of Michael Connell, M.D., by Philippa, da. of James, 6th Earl of Abercorn, and widow of Rev. Benjamin Pratt, D.D. Died at Brussels 1808.

Robert Bisse, of West Compton, clothier. Will dated 16 Sept. 1721 ; proved in P.C.C. 27 Jan. 1725-6.

Robert Bisse

John Bisse Recd.

Robert Bisse, of West Compton, clothier. Will dated 16 Sept. 1721 ; proved in P.C.C. 27 Jan. 1725-6.

John George of Crocombe, gent.—Katherine Bristol, afterwards of London, and latterly of Brussels, son of Michael Connell, M.D., by Philippa, da. of James, 6th Earl of Abercorn, and widow of Rev. Benjamin Pratt, D.D. Died at Brussels 1808.

Thomas George of Crocombe, gent.—Katherine Bristol, afterwards of London, and latterly of Brussels, son of Michael Connell, M.D., by Philippa, da. of James, 6th Earl of Abercorn, and widow of Rev. Benjamin Pratt, D.D. Died at Brussels 1808.

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Edith Bisse. Under 21 on 3 March 1704. Living unmar. 16 Sept. 1721.

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Elias Rebottier

A	1. Edward Bisse of Span. grove, Esq., Colonel in the Royalist Army. Ad- mitted at the Middle Temple, London, 10 March 1608. Mar. at Milton Clevedon 11 Nov. 1617. Died 1644. Will lief of Marlborough, Dorset. dated 1 Sept. 1614; pr. in P.C.C. 3 Feb. 1646-7.	Elizabeth, da, and coh. of Thomas Hawker, sometime tuted to the Rectory da. of of Heythrop, co. Wilts, and afterwards of Spargrove, Somerset, 27 Dec. Esq. (whose will, dated 11 March 1628, was proved in P.C.C. 24 June 1636), by Lady, da. of William fil- liol of Marshull, co. Dorset. Living 24 May 1635,	2. Upton Bisse. Instl.—Rebecca, da. of Henry Davi- son, son of Living 20 April 1620. Living 19 March 1639. He had ten children living about 1645. Joseph Parker instituted to said Rectory 8 Nov. 1660.	John Bisse. Probably dead at sea. Admitted at the Middle Temple, London, 12 Oct. 1646-7. March 1646-7.	Anne Bisse. Died at sea. Unmar. Adm on March 1646-7.	William=Elizabeth Bisse. Hall. Living about March 1646-7.
B	1. George Bisse of Spargrove 1 May 1652.—Eleanor, da. of George Mon- afterwards of Englishcombe in same county. Person of Corton, co. Wilts, and latterly of Wells in said county, Esq. (whose will, dated 13 May 1633, was proved in P.C.C. 2 Dec. 1635; codicil, Inner Temple, London, in Nov. 1641. Living made about 26 Aug. 1635, also proved in same 23 June 1637). by Eleanor, da. of Robert Toppe of Knoyle in said county. Born 1625, Will dated 3 Aug. 1688; proved in P.C.C. 8 Jan. 1688-9.	Edward Bisse. Living 1 Sept. 1644. Perhaps of Biddesham, co. Somerset, Clerk; and, if so, he had a son Edward, who was appre- nticed at Bristol 15 April 1672 to James Cicell, shoemaker, and Jane his wife.	Eleanor Bisse. Aged 5 in 1623. Bapt. at Milton Cleve- don 6 May 1619. Not mentioned in her father's will.	Rebecca Bisse. Bapt. at Mil- ton Clevedon 10 Sept. 1621. Not mentioned in the Will in Visitation or in her father's will.	Mary Bisse. Bapt. at Mil- ton Clevedon 15 Feb. 1626-7.	Mary Bisse, youngest da, living 1 Sept. 1644.
C	1. George Bisse of Wadham College, da. of Henry Symes of Frimpton Cotterell, Esq. (whose will, dated 28 Jan. 1678, was proved in P.C.C. 12 Feb. 1682-3). 24 May 1680, sometime of Deane in same county, and latterly of Frimpton Cotterell, co. Gloucester, Esq. Died 6 Aug. 1704. M.I. in chancery of Frimpton Cotterell. Will dated 18 April 1696; proved in P.C.C. 10 Sept. 1696.	Henry Bisse. Living about Oct. 1670. Died s.p. before 7 July 1680.	William Bisse of Wells, gent. Living 7 May 1690. Died before 20 April 1696.	Stephen Wellsted=Catherine of Merton College, Bissex. Oxford; B.A. 26 Nov. 1678; M.A. 13 Dec. 1683; M.B. 26 June 1689. 1685. Of London, living M.D., 10 May 1692, and living 11 June following.	Two other daughters. Living about Oct. 1670, but not men- tioned in their will.	

Gabriel Hale, sometime of Alderley, co. Gloucester, afterwards of Cottles, bar. Arford, co. Wilts, Esq., 2nd son of Robert Hale, Esq., eldest son of Sir Mathew Hale, Kt., Lord Chief Justice of England, Born 22 Dec. 1669. Died 16 June 1718, aged 48. M.I. in Alderley churchyard.

Amy Bisse, Un-
mar. 3 Aug. 1688.
Died before 22
May 1732.
Died before
20 April
1696.

George Bisce of co. Somerset. Living 22 May 1732.
An Officer in the Army, and served abroad many
years, having obtained a Commission as Ensign
during the reign of Queen Anne. Probably after-
wards Captain, and the father of Thomas and George
Bisce who were both living 19 Nov. 1715.

<p>Poyner Bisce, Esq., sometime of Codicote, afterwards of New Windsor, co. Berksh. Admitted at Westminster School 1729. B.A. Trinity College, Cambridge, 1736. M.A. Wacham College, Oxford, 11 July 1740. Died at Windsor 17 Jan. 1772. Bur. at Codicote 21 Jan. 1772. Aet. 57. Will dated 5 Jan. 1772; proved in P.C.C. 22 Jan. 1772.</p>
<p>George Poyner Bisce, Jane Bisse, Bapt. at Codicote, 5 Feb. 1709. Unmar. 26 Oct. 1717. Living at Codicote 15 Sept. 1707. Living unmar. 26 Oct. 1706. Living 25 Nov. 1702.</p>
<p>Rebecca Bisce, Amia Maria Bisse. Bapt. Unmar. 26 Oct. 1717. Living at Codicote 5 Jan. 1772, and then Ro- becia Page, widow of</p>
<p>Elizabeth Bisce. Born 1. bapt. at Codicote 8 Jan. 1707. Living Oct. 1737. Living 5 Jan. 1772, and then Jane Church, widow. Had issue,</p>
<p>Jane Bisce, Bapt. at Codicote, 5 Feb. 1709. Unmar. 26 Oct. 1717. Living at Codicote 15 Sept. 1707. Living unmar. 26 Oct. 1706. Living 25 Nov. 1702.</p>

~~George~~

March 17, '13.

<p>1. James Bisce of Batcombe, Esq. Aged 4 in 1623. Died unmarried. 2 July 1652. Adm'd on the (late) P.C.C. 20 July 1652 to sister Mary Albin and her husband, M.I. in Bat- combe Church.</p>	<p>2. Edward Bisce—Constantine, da. of George—Henry Davison, Mompesson of Corton, co. (probably of Batcombe, whose will, dated 13 April 1650, was proved in (late) P.C.C. 2 April 1651). Living 20 July 1652.</p>	<p>John Albin, son of John Albin of Mary Bisce. Brewton, co. Somerset, vicar of Batcombe, Wilts, Esq. (whose will, dated 13 May 1639, was proved in P.C.C. 2 Dec. 1693; codicil, made about 1635; codicil, made about 26 Aug. 1635, also proved in same 23 June 1637) by Eleanor, da. of Robert Toope of Knorley in said co. Living 15 Nov. 1639.</p>	<p>John Bisce. Died 14 Aug. 1634. M.I. in Batcombe Church. — Elizabeth Bisce. Living at the time of her father's death.</p>
			Six other children living at the time of their father's death.

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1st hsb^r, James Bisce of Batcombe, Esq., Aged about 24 in Easter^r Grace, eldest da, and coh. of=2nd hsb^r, John Wael
Term I James II. Will dated 31 Aug. 1713; proved in P.C.C. 9 Oct.
1713.

Jany Bissig.

John Strangways of Marn-
hull, co. Dorset, gent. (whose
will, dated 23 Nov. 1680,
before 22 Oct. 1716,
was proved in P.C.C. 3 June
1681). Mar. to James Bisce
at Okford Fitzpaine, co.
Dorset, in 1678. Living 3
July 1717.

Francis Bisce.
Survived his
brother James,
1681. M.I. in
Batcombe
Church.

James Bisce of St. Clement Danes, co. Middlesex, Esq., eldest son. Will dated 26 July 1736;
proved in P.C.C. 19 Aug. 1736.

Thomas Bisce.
Living 31 Aug.
1713.

George Bisce.
Of weak intellect.
Living 3 July
1717.

EDIGRES &c. (See p. 60.)

Richard Bisce of Crocombe. Living 13 Feb. 1570. ~~Mary~~, da. of Joseph Carter.

<p>Philip Bisce of Magdalen College, Oxford, Mary, 1st wife, Thomasin, Oxford; B.D. 1570; D.D. 8 July da. of . . . Chancery of Batcombe from coelar of . . . co. 1580. Rector of Batcombe from 1564 or thereabouts. Instituted to Somerset, co. (f. . . Naylor). the Vicarage of Wiveliscombe, co. Somerset, 23 Feb. 1571, which he resigned 1577. Appointed to Sub-deanery of Wells 1572, which he held till 1585. Installed in Archdeaconry of Tanton 23 May 1581, which he resigned in 1586. Instituted to Rectory of West Monkton, co. Somerset, 22 June 1586. Presented to Rectory of Elingdon alias Wroughton, co. Wilts, 13 Dee. 1596. Died 28 Oct. 1613, at 72. M.l. in Chancery of Batcombe. Will dated 7 Oct. 1613; proved in P.C.C. 2 Dec. 1613. He was a benefactor to Wadham College, Oxford.</p>	<p>James Bisce of Magdalen College, Oxford, Mary. Matriculated 8 Oct. 1571, then aged 17; B.A. 1 April 1573; Fellow 1574; M.A. 25 June 1577; B.D. 20 Jan. 1595; and D.D. same day. He lived sometime at Beer Crocombe, eo. Somerset, Rector of Beer Crocombe, eo. Somerset, and Prebendary of Wells, co. Somerset alias Luxford in Wells Cathedral about 1583; resigned this Prebend in 1588. Subdean of Wells 31 March 1583; Instituted to Vicarage of Lyward Episcopi, co. Somerset, 9 Aug. 1586, and to Rectory of Blagdon in same co. 27 May 1597. Collected to Prebend of Compton Episcopi in Wells Cathedral 12 Oct. 1598. Died Dee. 1607, æt. 55. Will dated 26 Nov. 1607; adm'on with same in P.C.C. 31 Oct. 1608. Living 26 Nov. 1624.</p>	<p>Richard Bisce, Mary, Agnes, sister of Johan Bisce. John Casbeard, clothier. Will dated 11 June 1613. — Cathbert, Wells, co. Somerset, 26 Nov. 1623; proved in P.C.C. 26 Sept. 1623. — John Casbeard, clothier. Will dated 11 June 1613. — Cathbert, Wells, co. Somerset, 26 Nov. 1623; proved in P.C.C. 26 Sept. 1623. — Alice Bisce, will, dated 1 June 1627. Her will, dated 23 Oct. 1626, was proved in P.C.C. 23 Nov. 1626.</p>
<p>George Bisce. (Harl. MSS. 1559.) Not mentioned in his parents' wills.</p>	<p>Philip Bisce, Mary, Joye. Living 23 Mar. before 1626. — Davies, Mary, Sarah Bisce. Living 23 Oct. 1626. — Charles Bisce of Crocombe, gent. Living 22 May 1634.</p>	<p>Elizabeth Bisce. Living 11 Sept. 1594.</p>
<p>James Bisce. (Harl. MSS. 1559.) Not mentioned in his parents' wills.</p>	<p>Sarah Bisce, Mary, William Hill, D.D., of Mells, co. Somerset. Will dated =2nd wife, Edith . . . Living 7 Sept. 1619.</p>	<p>Anne Bisce. Unmar. 11 June 1623. Living 23 Oct. 1626.</p>
<p>George Bisce, Sarah Bisce, Mary, William Hill, D.D., of Mells, co. Somerset. Will dated =2nd wife, Edith . . . Living 7 Sept. 1619; proved in P.C.C. 10 March 1619-20.</p>	<p>John Swadell, Mary, Rester Bisce. Mar. before 17 Jan. 1610. Probably living 7 Oct. 1613. — Probably da. of her father by his first wife.</p>	<p>John Swadell, Mary, Rester Bisce. Mar. before 17 Jan. 1610. — Probably da. of her father by his first wife.</p>

* He is called son-in-law by Alice Lowman, of South Leigh, co. Devon, gentlewoman and widow, in her will, dated 20 May 1601, and proved in P.C.C. 28 April 1602.

Samuel Bisse of Hill Bishop, co. Somerset, in 1623; afterwards = Prudence, da. of George of Wells. Matriculated at Oxford from Magdalen College 21 June 1583; then aged 16; B.A. 11 Feb. 1590-1; M.A. 4 July 1594. Adm'm in P.C.C. 28 July 1636 to son George.

Sainte-^{re} Béatrice

Thomas Bisse, M.A., Fellow of All Souls' College, ~~of~~⁼ Elizabeth, da.
of Richard
Ordained Deacon by Bishop of London
24 Feb. 1601-5 (then aged 29 or thereabouts),
Garbore of
and priest by the same 26 May 1605. Instituted
to the Rectory of Weston-super-Mare, co. Somerset,
1612. Admitted to a Prebend in Bristol
Cathedral (second stall) 19 Feb. 1612-13. Insti-
tuted to Rectory of Elingdon alias Wroughton,
co. Wilts, 28 May 1622, and instituted to Vicarage
of Were, co. Somerset, 9 March 1626-7. Died
1632. Will dated 20 Aug. 1632; proved in P.C.C.
15 Feb. 1632-3.

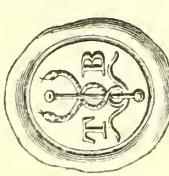
Thomas Bijse

Philip Bisse of Magdalen College, Oxford, Bachelor of Laws, ~~Bachelor~~, da. of George Barber of Ashmore, co. Dorset, gent. (whose will, dated 7 June 1661, was proved in P.C.C. 13 June 1662), by Lucy his wife (whose will, dated 14 Dec. 1672, was also proved in P.C.C. 13 March 1673-4). Mar. about 1638. Mar. 13 Aug. 1641, and murdered by the Irish rebels in the autumn of 1642. Died intestate.

Fräulein Bößwehr Vic.

Philip Bisse of Salisbury, co. Wilts, clothier, 27 Nov. 1662, = . . . da. of John Straight, M.A., of Queen's College, Cambridge; Chaplain to the Bishop afterwards of Bellchawell, co. Dorset, gent., only child. of Salisbury, and Vicar of Stour Paine and Turnworth, co. Dorset (whose will, dated 25 Jan. 1679, was proved in P.C.C. 14 July 1680 and 12 Oct. 1680). Mar. before 7 July 1674.

Eleanor . . . Thomas Bisse, M.A. Was at Brasenose College, Oxford, 20 Aug.—Susanna Died 31 Aug. 1632. Instituted to Rectory of Oldbury-on-the-Hill, co. Gloucester. Living
1642, est. 29. 4 Nov. 1641, and bur. in that parish 20 Sept. 1656. Will dated 2 Feb.
M.I. in Oldbury 16 Sept. 1656; proved in London 2 Feb. 1656-7.



NOTE.—James Brent compounded for the first fruits of the Vicarage of Ashton Keynes in Feb 1658

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Thomas Bisse,	Sarah Haacock.	John Bisse, M.A. Of Wadham	Inducted to Rector of Oldbury-on-the-Hill. Died 1 Feb. 1659-60, and instituted to the same 28 Aug. 1660. Bur. in that parish 19 July 1660. Will proved at Gloucester 21 April 1662. M.I. in the chauceil. also 28 April 1686.	William Bisse.	Bapt. at Oldbury-on-the-Hill 15 Sept. 1656, and then in childbed, att. in 21. Bar. there 23 April 1662. Will pr. at Gloucester 25 March 1686.
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Philip Bisse. 2nd husb., Philip Bisse. Born at Oldbury-on-the-Hill. Bapt. there 28 May 1666. =Lady Bridget= 1st husb., Charles Fitz-Charles, 3rd illegitimate son of King Charles II. by Catherine, da. of Thomas Osborne, 3rd da. of Thomas, 1st Duke of York, created 28 July 1673, Baron of Dartmouth, Viscount Totness, and Earl of Plymouth. Mar. at Wimbleton, co. Surrey, about Aug. 1678. Died at Tangier 1706. Died 19 Sept. 1680, aged 23, s.p. Bur. 9 May 1718. Bur. in Hereford Cathedral. 1680-1.

Phil. Heretford

Joyce Bisse.	John Bisse. \overline{T}	=Susanna Jeamson.	Dorothy Bisse.
Bapt. at Oldbury-on-the-Hill 14 Dec. 1668.	Rapt. at Oldbury-on-the-Hill 14 Dec. 1670.	Probably Norris Jeamson of St. Andrew's, Holborn, co. Middlesex.	Bapt. at Oldbury-on-the-Hill 14 Dec. 1670.	6 April 1675. Of Corp. Chr. College, Oxford; B.D. 4 June 1695; M.A. 2 March 1698; B.D. 17 July 1708; D.D. 27 Jan. 1712. Instituted to Vicarage of South Stoneham, co. Hants, 19 Feb. 1711-12. Collated to Prebend of Colwall alias Barton and Colwall in Hereford Cathedral there 10 June 1713. Instituted to Rectory of Weston-under-Penyard, co. Hereford, 10 Sept. 1716. Instituted to Rectory of Cradley and to Overton Portion in Ledbury, both co. Hereford, 21 July 1718.	Bapt. at Oldbury-on-the-Hill 2 Mar. 1656. [1 of 16 Sept. 1656.]
1670. Died before 21 July 1718.	1670. Died before 21 July 1718.	3 April 1673.	1673.	16 Oct. 1678.	1651-2. Living
11th. M.I. Will dated 21 July 1718; proved (with a codicil dated 29 Sept. 1719) in P.C.C. 20 Dec. 1721.	11th. M.I. Will dated 21 July 1718; proved (with a codicil dated 29 Sept. 1719) in P.C.C. 20 Dec. 1721.	1673.	1673.	1678.	1656.

Arms on ledger stone in Hereford Cathedral commemorating Mrs. Joyce Bisse, sister of Philip Bisse, Bishop of Hereford.

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M.J. in Church of Weston-under-Penyard.



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